



2025/2026 Collette Group Tours presented with Join the Fun Tours

# **Europe**

# **Inclusions:**

- Overnight Car Parking Ormond Beach & Viera
- Roundtrip Transportation to/from Orlando International Airport (Individual Guest Reservations have the option to be picked up/dropped off from home when not traveling with Group Departure Tour Dates)
- Gratuity to your Driver to/from Orlando International Airport
  - Roundtrip Standard Economy Airfare to/from Orlando International Airport (Guests who want upgraded airfare seating must be done at the time of booking)
  - (1) Checked Bag Per Person\*\*International Airfare Only
    - Collette Escorted Land Tour

# **Does not Include:**

\*Checked Baggage for Domestic Airfare

Gratuities to your Collette Tour Manager, Driver on Tour & Local Guides

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# Join the Fun Tours presents... Exploring Scotland & Ireland



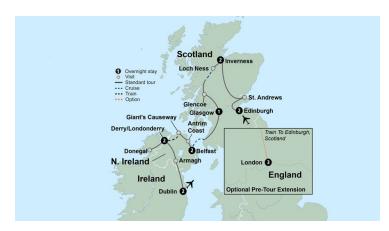


Escorted Tour with Collette Tours

Exploring Scotland & Ireland

 $May 10^{th} - 23^{rd}, 2025$ 





HIGHLIGHTS... Edinburgh, Edinburgh Castle, St. Andrews, Loch Ness Cruise, Urquhart Castle, Highland Evening, Glasgow, Belfast, Titanic Experience, Giant's Causeway, The Causeway Coast Rail Journey, Derry, Cider Farm Tour, Dublin

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2-4 Radisson Blu Edinburgh, Edinburgh

Days 5, 6 Best Western Palace Hotel Inverness, Inverness

Day 7 Hilton Glasgow, Glasgow

Days 8, 9 Maldron Hotel Belfast City, Belfast

Days 10, 11 City Hotel Derry, Derry

Days 12, 13 Herbert Park Hotel, Dublin

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



14 Days • 19 Meals: 12 Breakfasts, 7 Dinners

#### **About the Tour**

<u>Day 1: Saturday, May 10, 2025 Overnight Flight</u> From rugged natural beauty to vibrant and historical cities, the diverse charms of Scotland and Ireland await.

<u>Day 2: Sunday, May 11, 2025 Arrive Edinburgh, Scotland</u> Your tour opens today in Edinburgh, Scotland's capital city. Enjoy time to get to know the place where your journey begins.

**<u>Day 3: Monday, May 12, 2025 Edinburgh</u>** Enjoy a day of leisure. Tonight, join your fellow travelers for dinner at a local restaurant. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 4: Tuesday, May 13, 2025 Edinburgh</u> This morning, visit Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels and enjoy a panoramic tour of Edinburgh's new town and an insightful walking tour up to the castle. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city further at your leisure. Tonight, you might like to join the optional tour to the Spirit of Scotland Show. (*B*)

<u>Day 5: Wednesday, May 14, 2025 Edinburgh - St. Andrews - Inverness</u> Depart Edinburgh and travel on to St. Andrews, the beautiful town in the Kingdom of Fife that gave the world the game of golf – see the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the famous Old Course. Continue on to Inverness, the capital of the Highlands. *(B, D)* 

<u>Day 6: Thursday, May 15, 2025 Inverness - Loch Ness - Inverness</u> This morning, take a scenic cruise on Loch Ness before disembarking at the base of the famed Urquhart Castle. Explore the ruins of this historic stronghold where acts of chivalry and defiance exhibit more than 1,000 years of Scottish history. Return to Inverness and have time to explore the city or take a riverside walk. This evening, enjoy a Highland evening filled with storytelling, singing and Scottish dancing! (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 7: Friday, May 16, 2025 Inverness - Fort William - Glencoe - Glasgow</u> Depart Inverness and stop just north of Fort William to take in the historic Caledonian Canal and its famous Neptune's Staircase, a flight of eight locks and an incredible feat of engineering. Continue to the scenic valley of Glencoe, one of Scotland's most historic and breathtaking glens. Your day ends in Glasgow. (*B, D*)

<u>Day 8: Saturday, May 17, 2025 Glasgow - Belfast, Northern Ireland</u> This morning, explore Glasgow with a local guide. Highlights include a visit to George Square, and passing by Glasgow Cathedral, Provand's Lordship, the oldest house in the city discovering the rich industrial heritage of the area. Travel to the scenic Ayrshire coast to your ferry. Cross the famed Irish Sea as you head for Northern Ireland's capital city of Belfast. (B)

<u>Day 9: Sunday, May 18, 2025 Belfast</u> Enjoy a privately guided tour of Belfast, Northern Ireland's largest city. Learn about the struggles in this great city's history as you pass through its distinctive neighborhoods. See "Samson" and "Goliath," the massive cranes of the Belfast shipyard. Complete today's tour with a visit to the award-winning Titanic Experience museum. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 10: Monday, May 19, 2025 Belfast - Glens of Antrim - Giant's Causeway - Derry** Venture along the stunning Antrim Coastal Route, stopping at the Giant's Causeway (UNESCO). Formed by volcanic activity millions of years ago, the causeway resembles an old, cobbled road leading mystically into the sea. Then, embark on one of the world's most beautiful railway\* journeys along the Causeway Coast. Soak up the incredible scenery before arriving in the walled city of Derry. Set out on a walking tour featuring the medieval city walls, St. Augustine's Cathedral, and the Guildhall. Perhaps you will discover why Derry is one of Ireland's best-kept secrets during an optional evening with a local singer playing traditional music at a pub serving traditional pub-style food. (*B*)

<u>Day 11: Tuesday, May 20, 2025 Derry - Donegal Town - Derry</u> Today's journey showcases the rugged beauty of County Donegal. Start your day with a visit to Donegal Castle, a restored 15th-century castle with a unique history. Enjoy some free time to explore Donegal Town, a picturesque village at the mouth of the River Eske. Return to Derry, where tonight, it's *Diner's Choice...* choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of Derry's great restaurants. (*B*, *D*)

Day 12: Wednesday, May 21, 2025 Derry - Armagh - Cider Farm Visit - Dublin, Ireland Depart on a journey through the scenic countryside of Northern Ireland, stopping in Armagh to view the twin cathedrals dedicated to Ireland's Patron Saint. The two St. Patrick's Cathedrals, one Catholic and one Protestant, symbolize the two souls of Ireland. Then, visit a family-run cider farm. Meet the family and explore the orchards before sampling their award-winning Irish ciders. Continue on to the Republic of Ireland. Your day concludes in Dublin, Ireland's vibrant capital city. (*B*)

**Day 13: Thursday, May 22, 2025 Dublin** A locally guided tour of Dublin highlights the world-renowned St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, Phoenix Park and the city's magnificent rows of lovely Georgian town homes. You may choose to join an optional tour with lunch at a local pub followed by a visit to the Guinness Storehouse. Spend the rest of your day at leisure as you delve further into Dublin's cultural treasures. This evening, toast the end of an incredible adventure during a farewell dinner at one of the city's most popular local restaurants. (*B, D*)

Day 14: Friday, May 23, 2025 Dublin - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close. (B)

## **Highlights And Inclusions**

#### Your Tour Includes

- · 6 Handpicked Accommodations
- 18 Meals

#### Must-See Inclusions:

- · Tour the "Fair City" of Dublin with a local guide.
- Embark on a scenic cruise on beautiful Loch Ness.
- · Set out on a walking tour of Derry featuring its medieval city walls.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- Embark on one of the world's most breathtaking rail journeys along the Causeway Coast.
- · Explore the Titanic Experience in Belfast.
- · Discover the heritage of Glasgow with a local guide.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

- · Taste apple cider at a family-run farm.
- Join in the fun during a night of traditional Scottish food and entertainment.

## **Activity Level**



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## Activity Level 3 - Active

You're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

#### Highlights

- Edinburgh
- Edinburgh Castle
- St. Andrews
- Loch Ness Cruise
- Urguhart Castle
- · Highland Evening
- Glasgow
- Belfast
- Titanic Experience
- Giant's Causeway
- The Causeway Coast Rail Journey
- Derry
- · Cider Farm Tour
- Dublin



# Pre Night Stay Hotel-Radisson Blu Edinburgh



Radisson Blu Edinburgh Nights 1-2



Best Western Palace Hotel Inverness Nights 3-4



Hilton Glasgow Night 5



Maldron Hotel Belfast City Nights 6-7



City Hotel Derry Nights 8-9



Herbert Park Hotel
Nights 10-11

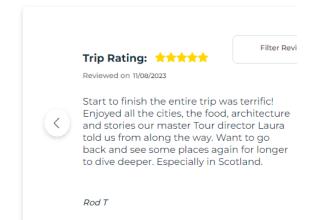




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- ✓ (19) Meals 12 Breakfasts & 7 Dinners
- ✓ Activity Level 3 Active

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# Join the Fun Tours presents... Spotlight on Northern Italy Ft. Venice, Verona & The Dolomites



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Spotlight on Northern Italy

Ft. Venice, Verona & The Dolomites

July 16<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025





**HIGHLIGHTS...** Treviso, Tiramisu-Making Demonstration, Verona, Choice on Tour: Verona Painted City or Verona and its Waters Walking Tours, Murano Glass-Blowing Demonstration, Venice, Asolo, Prosecco Winery Tour, The Dolomites, Bassano del Grappa, Venetian Villa Visit

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 9 Hotel Carlton Treviso, Treviso

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



10 Days • 13 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 Dinners

#### **About the Tour**

- Day 1: Wednesday, July 16, 2025 Overnight Flight Venture to vineyards, Venice, and Verona. It's almost time to unpack once and journey among the jewels of Northern Italy.
- **Day 2: Thursday, July 17, 2025 Arrive Treviso, Italy** Your tour begins today in Treviso, hometown of Italy's most iconic dessert tiramisu. Treviso also has a long history tied to the nearby island city of Venice. Founded as a mainland (terraferma) settlement, Treviso was an early outpost with the look and feel of Venice. Take some time to explore the lively neighborhood of Treviso your home for the next eight nights.
- **Day 3: Friday, July 18, 2025 Treviso** Enjoy time to get to know the place where your journey begins. Meet your fellow travelers for dinner, while a local pastry chef shows you a few tricks for preparing some sweet tiramisu. (*B*, *D*)
- **Day 4: Saturday, July 19, 2025 Treviso** Start your day with a walking tour in the city commonly called "Venice on the Mainland." Take in the Old Town's gothic-style windows, marble latticework, and the Sile and Botteniga rivers humble elements all reminiscent of its famous island neighbor. After your guided tour on foot, take some time to explore more of Treviso at your own pace. Maybe you'll wander through the weekly vegetable and housewares market. Or you can check out the picturesque Canale dei Buranelli and nearby *pescheria*, where fishmongers have set up shop for centuries. When you stop for lunch on your own, consider noshing on *radicchio trevigiano*, an autumnal delicacy consisting of red chicory grilled with a generous helping of extra virgin olive oil. Enjoy your free time and work up an appetite, because tonight you'll dive into regional foods and Italian wines at a welcome dinner with your fellow travelers. (*B*, *D*)
- **Day 5: Sunday, July 20, 2025 Verona** Verona (UNESCO) is for lovers. After a two-hour bus ride, find yourself in the romantic city of *Romeo & Juliet*. In Verona, **it's your choice!** Explore Verona's painted houses during a walking tour of the Old Town **-OR-** stroll along the town's riverbanks in search of its bridges and lesser-known monuments. No matter what you choose, you'll catch a glimpse of the city's must-sees: Juliet's balcony and the impressive exterior of the Arena, the ancient Roman amphitheater. After, enjoy some free time to explore Verona how you'd like. Whether you're following in the footsteps of Shakespeare's most famous dramatic characters or retracing Italian history, savor time wandering in Verona's medieval city center. After lunch on your own in the city, return to your hotel in the late afternoon to relax. (*B*)
- **Day 6: Monday, July 21, 2025 Murano Island Venice** Board the coach and head to Venice (UNESCO). You'll trade wheels for water and take a boat to the isle of Murano. Famous for its glass-blowing foundries, Murano's history with glassmaking dates back 1,500 years. A local craftsperson will share the intricacies of this age-old trade during a glass-blowing demonstration. After, set sail for the area surrounding St. Mark's Square. Take in the Basilica and the ornate Gothic façade of Doge's Palace. During your free time, consider an optional gondola cruise to experience Venice's most famous pastime. (*B*)
- **Day 7: Tuesday, July 22, 2025 Asolo** Get to know a hilltop haven for artists today in Asolo. After your Tour Manager helps you get acquainted with the village during an orientation walk, enjoy some free time. Find inspiration and trace the steps of author Ernest Hemingway, poet Robert Browning, composer Igor Stravinsky, and many other famous virtuosos throughout history. Later, continue your journey into the rolling hills of Italy's Prosecco region (UNESCO) for a visit to a local vineyard, where you'll taste the region's sparkling specialty. Roll up your sleeves and learn how to make a traditional pasta recipe under the expert guidance of a bona fide Italian nonna (grandmother). Enjoy your pasta dish with a tasting of wines, toasting to la dolce vita the sweet life in the Venetian countryside. Return to your hotel in the late evening. Rest well tonight; tomorrow is a full day exploring the Dolomites. (B, D)
- **Day 8: Wednesday, July 23, 2025 The Dolomites** Today will be your biggest trek yet.\* You're on your way to what UNESCO says is one of the world's most beautiful mountain chains: the Dolomites. Weave through the winding roads tucked within jagged rocks for a couple of hours en route to your first stop. Beside beautiful Lake Misurina, marvel at the sight of the Three Peaks of Lavaredo and more along a scenic drive. After lunch near the lake, reach Cortina, the Pearl of the Dolomites, and enjoy some free time and, weather permitting, a

cable-car ride to the top of impressive Mount Faloria,\*\* a favorite with hikers and bikers alike. Reminisce on your mountain adventure tonight on your way back to the hotel. (B, L)

**Day 9: Thursday, July 24, 2025 Bassano del Grappa** Begin your day with a trip to the quaint town of Bassano del Grappa. The town's name is associated with the locally produced grape-based schnapps. Explore its cobblestoned piazzas and see the impact the beverage has had on the town, including the ancient distillery in one of the pillars of the historic Palladian Bridge. Take some time to wander around the town and grab a bite to eat for lunch (maybe paired with some *grappa?*). Tonight, step back in time at a classic Venetian villa. Tour the sprawling villa and its gardens, still owned by the descendants of a noble family of Venice. After you follow the family's history within the villa's walls, gather with your fellow travelers and savor Venetian dishes prepared with fresh local ingredients at this evening's farewell dinner. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 10: Friday, July 25, 2025 Treviso - Tour Ends** It's time to say *ciao, Italia*. Have a *buon viaggio* back home with fond memories of Northern Italy. (B)

#### **Highlights And Inclusions**

- 1 Handpicked Accommodations
- 12 Meals
- · 2 Choice on Tour Options

#### **Must-See Inclusions:**

- · Get to know the romantic city of Verona.
- Enjoy an up-close look at the Dolomites, one of the most beautiful mountain chains in the world.
- · Cruise the waters around Venice and dive into the island city.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- Discover the lively center of hilltop Asolo, awarded the title of Italy's Most Beautiful Village.
- Marvel at the ability of the glass-blowing artists in Murano, who still work the glass using century-old techniques.
- Experience local life in Bassano, the hometown of Italy's renowned schnapps called grappa.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

- Master a few tips from an Italian nonna (grandmother) and try your hand at making traditional pasta.
- Tour a winery in the Prosecco hills and sample this delectable sparkling wine.

- Treviso
- Tiramisu-Making Demonstration
- Verona
- Choice on Tour: Verona Painted City or Verona and its Waters Walking Tours
- Murano Glass-Blowing Demonstration
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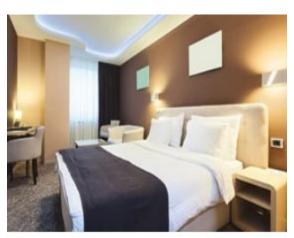


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#### **Pre Night Stay** Hotel-Hotel Carlton Treviso



**Hotel Carlton Treviso** 

Nights 1-7



\*Pre-Night Extension

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Day 2 Treviso

Day 3 Treviso

Day 4 Treviso

Day 5 Treviso

Day 6

Treviso

Day 7 Treviso

Day 8 Treviso

Day 9 Treviso





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# Join the Fun Tours presents... **British Landscapes** Ft. The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo





**Escorted Tour with Collette Tours British Landscapes** 

Ft. The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo

August 9<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025





HIGHLIGHTS... Edinburgh Castle, The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, York, Chester, Conwy Castle, Stratford-upon-Avon, Oxford, Choice on Tour: Ashmolean Museum or Oxford Walking Tour, London

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 8

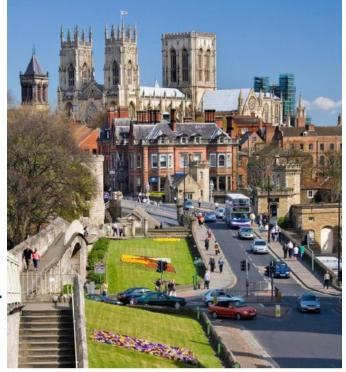
Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 4 Apex Grassmarket Hotel, Edinburgh Holiday Inn York City Centre, York Day 5 Days 6, 7 Grosvenor Pulford Hotel & Spa, Chester Hotel Indigo Stratford Upon Avon, Stratford-

Upon-Avon

Days 9, 10 Tower Suites Hotel by Blue Orchid, London

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



11 Days • 12 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 4 Dinners

#### **About the Tour**

- <u>Day 1: Saturday</u>, <u>August 9</u>, <u>2025 Overnight Flight</u> Feel the vibrant energy of England, hear the unique sounds of Scotland, and see the rolling countryside of Wales on a trip that combines dramatic history and an array of fascinating landscapes.
- <u>Day 2: Sunday, August 10, 2025 Arrive Edinburgh, Scotland</u> Your tour begins today in Edinburgh, the historic capital of Scotland, where rocky hills tower in the distance and the shadows of history can be seen around every corner. Enjoy time to get to know the place where your journey begins.
- <u>Day 3: Monday, August 11, 2025 Edinburgh</u> Discover Scotland's capital on your own today and see how medieval crossroads blend seamlessly with a vibrant modern energy. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner. (*D*)
- <u>Day 4: Tuesday, August 12, 2025 Edinburgh</u> Start the day with a panoramic and walking tour of old and new Edinburgh, exploring Georgian architecture, writers and monuments, alleyways and hidden passages, and a thoroughly modern museum. Then, walk up the Royal Mile to enter Edinburgh Castle, home to the Scottish Crown Jewels, for a guided tour of the castle. Later this evening, take your seats at the spectacular, world-famous event, The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. (*B*)
- **Day 5: Wednesday, August 13, 2025 Edinburgh York, England** Say goodbye to the rolling hills of Scotland while traveling south on a local passenger train to York. After you arrive, join a walk to get familiar with York's streets before taking some free time to enjoy lunch on your own. After an afternoon visit to the magnificent York Minster, the rest of the day is yours to explore independently. This evening you may wish to join an optional tour to a family-run Yorkshire vineyard and sample a selection of English wines over a homecooked dinner. (B)
- <u>Day 6: Thursday, August 14, 2025 York Chester</u> This morning, travel to Chester, your home for the next two nights, where ancient walls enclose charming Tudor and Victorian houses. Discover the charms of the city with your local guide, before taking the rest of the afternoon to enjoy Chester at your own pace. (*B*, *D*)
- <u>Day 7: Friday, August 15, 2025 Chester Conwy, Wales Chester, England</u> Today, venture to the inviting town of Conwy in Wales. Visit Conwy Castle to discover the history behind one of Edward I's most imposing castles and take a leisurely stroll around the town, seeking out local shops, cafés, and markets. Then take a scenic drive over the Menai Straits into Anglesey to visit Halen Môn, the family-run Welsh sea salt company, famous all around the world for its salt's quality. (*B*)
- <u>Day 8: Saturday, August 16, 2025 Chester Stratford-upon-Avon</u> Step back in time on a journey through the English countryside to Stratford-upon-Avon the Bard's birthplace. After touring the childhood home of William Shakespeare, take time to explore this historic market town on your own. Later, join your fellow travelers for a dinner theater experience. (*B*, *D*)
- <u>Day 9: Sunday, August 17, 2025 Stratford-upon-Avon Oxford London</u> Bid farewell to Stratford and travel to the charming university city of Oxford. Upon arrival, **it's your choice!** Visit the Ashmolean Museum, opened in 1682 as Britain's first public museum, with collections ranging from Egyptian mummies to contemporary art **-OR-** join an expert local guide for an hour-long walking tour, including one of the colleges used as a filming location for *Harry Potter*. Enjoy lunch on your own before continuing on to London, England's storied capital city. (*B*)
- <u>Day 10: Monday, August 18, 2025 London</u> Take in London on a tour of the city's quintessential sights. Begin with a two-hour walking tour of Westminster to see the exteriors of Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, and Westminster Abbey. Continue to Buckingham Palace, the official residence of His Majesty The King, and make your way to Trafalgar Square, one of London's most vibrant spaces in the heart of the city. This afternoon is yours to discover more of London independently and make memories to treasure. This evening, join your fellow travelers to toast the end of your journey through Britain's scenic and storied landscapes. (*B, D*)

# <u>Day 11: Tuesday, August 19, 2025 London - Tour Ends</u> Your journey through Britain comes to a close today. (*B*)

#### **Highlights And Inclusions**

#### Your Tour Includes

- 5 Handpicked Accommodations
- 12 Meals
- · 3 Choice on Tour Options

#### Must-See Inclusions:

- See the quintessential sights of London with a local guide.
- Explore the ruins of an ancient fort during a guided visit to Hadrian's Wall.
- · Stand in awe before the iconic spires of Oxford.
- See the world-famous Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, an annual tribute to Scotland's traditions.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- Behold the Crown Jewels of Scotland on a guided tour of Edinburgh Castle.
- · Discover the medieval Snickelways of York.
- Explore William Shakespeare's childhood home in Stratford-upon-Avon.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

- Enjoy London's culinary renaissance at a dinner highlighting contemporary British cuisine.
- · Taste the best of Scottish fare in a traditional local restaurant.

#### Highlights

- Edinburgh Castle
- Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo
- York
- Chester
- Choice on Tour: Caernarfon Castle or Caernarfon Walk
- Betws-y-Coed
- · Stratford-upon-Avon
- Oxford
- Choice on Tour: Ashmolean Museum or Oxford Walking Tour
- London

# **Activity Level**









#### Activity Level 2 - Moderate

You like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet.







### **Pre Night Stay**

### Hotel-Apex Grassmarket Hotel



Apex Grassmarket Hotel

Nights 1-2



Holiday Inn York City Centre

Night 3



Grosvenor Pulford Hotel & Spa

Nights 4-5



Hotel Indigo Stratford Upon Avon

Night 6



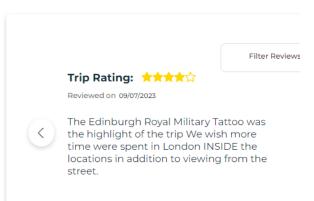
Mercure London Bridge

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August 25<sup>th</sup> – Sep. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025





HIGHLIGHTS... Lisbon, Tomar, Porto, Port Wine Tastings, Douro River Valley, Douro River Cruise, Salamanca, La Rioja, Pamplona, Bullfighter's Home Experience, San Sebastián, Choice on Tour: Zumaia and Getaria Villages or Coastal Saint James Way Hike, Bilbao, Guggenheim Museum

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2-5 Turim Boulevard Hotel, Lisbon

Days 6, 7 Turim Porto Hotel, Porto

Vila Gale Douro Vineyards Hotel, Douro River Days 8, 9

Valley

Days 10, 11 NH Collection Salamanca Palacio de

Castellanos, Salamanca

Days 12, 13 Eurostars Fuerte Ruavieja, La Rioja

Days 14 - 16 NH Collection San Sebastian Aranzazu, San

Sebastian

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Small Group Travel rewards travelers with new perspectives. With just 12-24 passengers, these are the personal adventures that today's cultural explorers dream of.

17 Days • 24 Meals: 15 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 6 Dinners

#### **About the Tour**

<u>Day 1: Monday, August 25, 2025 Overnight Flight</u> Sparkling coastlines... historic cityscapes... mouthwatering cuisine... aromatic wine... Northern Portugal and Spain await you with open arms for the journey of a lifetime.

<u>Day 2: Tuesday, August 26, 2025 Arrive Lisbon, Portugal</u> Your tour begins today in Lisbon, the capital of Portugal. Perched on seven hills, Lisbon glistens like a treasure and enchants travelers with its laid-back charm.

<u>Day 3: Wednesday, August 27, 2025 Lisbon</u> Enjoy time to get to know the place where your journey begins. At a local restaurant, meet your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner to officially kick off an experience-rich adventure. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 4: Thursday, August 28, 2025 Lisbon</u> Good morning, *Lisboa!* Start your day with a walk to the public *funicular* to hop on and ride to the upper side of the downtown area. Meander through historic neighborhoods, hearing stories that bring the city – and its colorful neighborhoods – to life. Walk to the Chiado neighborhood, embracing its bohemian vibe en route to a local cafe and a tasting of typical Portuguese foods with a light *petiscos* lunch. After, your journey takes you to the best view of Praça do Comercio in downtown Lisbon, one of the biggest squares in Europe. This gorgeous square boasts colorful artwork and sculptures. Enjoy time to explore on your own and return to the hotel by subway. Tonight, you may choose to join an optional tour to listen to local artists perform traditional *fado* music, a UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage highlight. (*B, L*)

<u>Day 5: Friday, August 29, 2025 Lisbon</u> Explore the city today at your own pace. With plenty of free time, you may wish to check out Lisbon's famed culinary scene or venture downtown to do some shopping. Or you may also choose an optional excursion to explore the beach town of Ericeira and then Sintra with its enchanting palaces and villas. This evening, dinner is accompanied by an **Impact Moment** as you learn how the restaurant supports people experiencing homelessness through catering training. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 6: Saturday, August 30, 2025 Lisbon - Tomar - Porto** Depart Portugal's capital city and head to Tomar, home to some of the country's historical jewels, including the Templar Castle and Convent of Christ (UNESCO). Explore the octagonal Templars' Rotunda and imagine the day-to-day life of a warrior monk. Next stop: Porto! Take in the landscape of wild pine trees as you leave Tomar and embark on a two-and-a-half-hour drive to Portugal's second largest city. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 7: Sunday, August 31, 2025 Porto</u> Today, an extensive walking tour of Porto reveals its many charms. See the São Bento railway station, which opened in 1916 and is one of Portugal's most striking architectural gems. Visit the Bolsa Palace (UNESCO) – known as the Stock Exchange Palace – a 19th-century neoclassical masterpiece, and finish your morning crossing the river to Vila Nova de Gaia for a visit and a taste of the port wine production scene. Enjoy free time for lunch on your own. This evening you may want to join in an optional experience and feel like a local in their cozy, inviting home to savor a homemade meal. (*B*)

<u>Day 8: Monday, September 1, 2025 Porto - Douro Valley</u> Today, say *tchau* to Porto and set out for the Douro wine region. Visiting the Douro combines natural beauty, cultural and historical richness, and of course, the region's famed gastronomy. On the way, visit one of the most famous wineries in Portugal for a tasting of its wines and a visit their stunning baroque palace. This afternoon, embark on a relaxing boat trip\* along the Douro River and sail past the stunning landscapes, vineyard slopes, and famous terraces. Then settle into your home for the next two nights at a winery hotel in the heart of the Douro River Valley. Later, enjoy a dinner of traditional Portuguese cuisine paired with delicious local wine. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 9: Tuesday, September 2, 2025 Douro** Spend a relaxed morning enjoying the grounds of the winery. Then, roll up your sleeves for a cooking class – and of course, dine on your creations: a light lunch of *petiscos*, or Portuguese *tapas*. After, visit the Douro Museum to learn about the history, culture, and flavors found in the Douro wine region. Return to your hotel and enjoy the end of the day on your own. (*B*, *L*)

<u>Day 10: Wednesday, September 3, 2025 Douro - Salamanca, Spain</u> Depart the Douro wine region and cross the border into Spain! Head to an olive grove and learn about this family-owned business. Try their unique olive oil during a light lunch before departing for Salamanca. End your day with an orientation walk to help you find your preferred spot for dinner on your own. (*B, L*)

<u>Day 11: Thursday, September 4, 2025 Salamanca</u> In Salamanca, feel like you've stepped back in time during a walking tour with your local guide and learn more about this ancient city. Visit the Cathedral of Salamanca, which is in fact two churches joined together from the 12th-13th centuries and 16th century. Imagine the life of a student from medieval times to present as you stroll around the oldest university in Spain, the University of Salamanca. Afterward, the rest of the day is yours to explore Salamanca at your own pace. With over two thousand years of history and its sandstone architecture, Salamanca is a little gem waiting to be discovered. (*B*)

<u>Day 12: Friday, September 5, 2025 Salamanca - Burgos - La Rioja</u> Today, leave for the famous Rioja wine region! On your way, stop in Burgos where you will get to know the city during a walking tour. From its pedestrian-friendly riverside to the historic Plaza Mayor, Burgos delivers a traditional Spanish experience. Enjoy free time for lunch on your own. Finally, arrive in La Rioja, your home for the next two nights. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 13: Saturday, September 6, 2025 La Rioja - Pamplona - La Rioja** Today, it's off to Pamplona, the capital of the Navarre province and home to the legendary Feast of San Fermin – *the Running of the Bulls*. Once every year, bulls are led through the city's streets by daredevil runners, and today, a local guide takes you on a city tour of Pamplona where you can hear all about its colorful, unique history before visiting the family home of a bullfighter. The bullfighter's family greets you traditionally – with light *tapas* and drinks – truly welcoming you into their world for a little while. During your visit, learn firsthand about bullfighting traditions and controversies, and enjoy the chance to ask your questions. As you make your way back to stunning Rioja, stop at the Marques de Riscal Winery nestled in the center of Spain's beautiful Basque country – one of the most fascinating wineries to behold with its famously avant-garde design. Taste some of the wines and walk the vineyards before heading back to your hotel. (*B*)

<u>Day 14: Sunday, September 7, 2025 La Rioja - Bilbao - San Sebastián</u> Head to Bilbao and take a walking tour of Bilbao's old town where you can find historic old churches, festive markets, and quintessential Spanish squares. Then visit the world-renowned Guggenheim Museum, set along the Nervion River and hailed as an icon of architectural culture with its contemporary design. See some of the modern art housed inside its fascinating walls. Enjoy some free time before continuing to San Sebastián. (*B*)

<u>Day 15: Monday, September 8, 2025 San Sebastián</u> Are your shoes made for walking? Today, set off for an extensive walking tour of San Sebastián, a coastal city that runs along the Bay of Biscay. With its strong regional character, quaint old town and beachfront life, you will feel like a local as you meander through charming neighborhoods boasting with traditional architecture. Then **it's your choice!** You can choose a guided tour of the coastal villages of Zumaia and Getaria for a special opportunity to explore the glimmering Spanish coastline and enjoy a tasting of Txakoli wine **-OR-** take a leisurely hike along the "*Camino* of Saint James" and make your way back to the city center, enjoying a healthy, scenic experience in this beautiful destination. Lastly you can choose to stay in San Sebastián to relax or further explore on your own! (*B*)

<u>Day 16: Tuesday, September 9, 2025 San Sebastián</u> The day is yours to explore! San Sebastián is a great spot for shoppers and foodies alike, and there is plenty to see and do in this coastal city. Or perhaps you will join an optional day trip and say *bonjour* to France, exploring the medieval charm of Bayonne and the eclectic summer village of Biarritz. Tonight, toast to a wonderful trip with your fellow travelers during a farewell dinner featuring savory Spanish flavors. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 17: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 San Sebastián - Tour Ends</u> Today, your tour of Portugal and Spain comes to a close – all of the wonderful memories will truly be the best souvenirs. (*B*)

#### Your Tour Includes

- · 6 Handpicked Accommodations
- 23 Meals

#### Must-See Inclusions:

- See Lisbon from the windows of a public funicular during a unique city tour.
- Stroll along the scenic Ribeira waterfront of Porto, famous for its port wine.
- Visit the world-renowned Guggenheim Museum, hailed as a true icon of architectural culture.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- Call a picturesque quinta estate in the Douro River Valley your home for 2 nights.
- Immerse yourself in the lively, vibrant city of Salamanca.
- Visit a bullfighter's family home in Pamplona and learn about this iconic Iberian tradition.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

- Explore wine cellars in the Douro and Rioja regions and enjoy wine tastings.
- Enjoy a petiscos cooking class in the Douro River Valley.

#### Highlights

- Lisbon
- Tomar
- Porto
- Port Wine Tastings
- Douro River Valley
- · Douro River Cruise
- Salamanca
- · La Rioja
- Pamplona
- · Bullfighter's Home Experience
- · San Sebastián
- Choice on Tour: Zumaia and Getaria
   Villages or Coastal Saint James Way Hike
- Bilbao
- Guggenheim Museum

# **Activity Level**









#### Activity Level 3 - Active

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Turim Boulevard Hotel Nights 1-3



NH Collection Salamanca Palacio de Castellanos

Nights 8-9



Turim Porto Hotel Nights 4-5



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Nights 10-11

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Nights 6-7



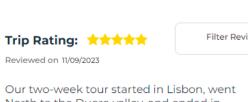
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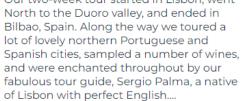
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Day 3 Lisbon

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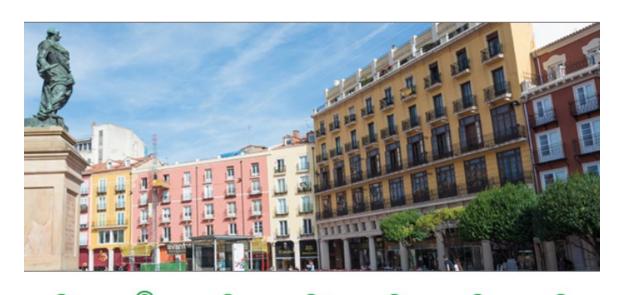
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September 16<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025





HIGHLIGHTS... Bern, Alphorn Maker, Yodeling Demonstration, Fondue Lunch, Lucerne, Austrian Alps, Choice on Tour: Cultural City Walking Tour or Architectural Walking Tour, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Mirabell Gardens, St. Peter's Restaurant, Bavaria, Linderhof Palace, Tyrolean Folklore Show, Munich Oktoberfest

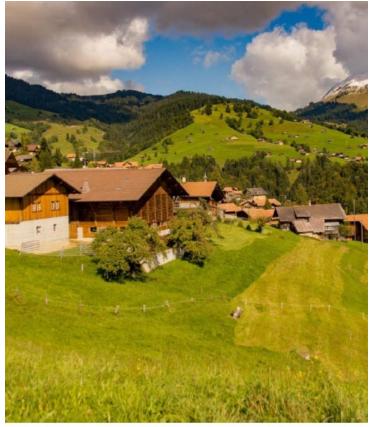
#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight Days 2 – 6 Hotel Bern, Bern

Days 7-9 AC Hotel by Marriott Innsbruck, Innsbruck

Day 10 Eurostars Grand Central, Munich

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



11 Days • 14 Meals: 9 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners

#### **About the Tour**

<u>Day 1: Tuesday, September 16, 2025 Overnight Flight</u> Discover spectacular Switzerland, Austria and Bavaria on a tour featuring Munich's legendary Oktoberfest.

<u>Day 2: Wednesday, September 17, 2025 Arrive Bern, Switzerland - Tour Begins</u> Your journey begins today in Bern, the capital of Switzerland. This UNESCO World Heritage site rests in the Swiss countryside. The cobbled Old Town section is so well preserved that residents who lived here 500 years ago would still find it familiar today.

**<u>Day 3: Thursday, September 18, 2025 Bern</u>** This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner featuring local cuisine. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 4: Friday, September 19, 2025 Bern</u> Explore delightful Bern on a panoramic sightseeing tour, led by a local guide, featuring the Bundeshaus (the Swiss Parliament), the famous Bear Pit, the Rose Gardens and the gothic cathedral which dominates Old Town's skyline. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore independently. Perhaps you'll take a ride in the red carriages of the Gurtenbahn funicular railway, climbing Gurten Mountain to an altitude of 2,574 feet (858 meters) for impressive views of Bern, the surrounding towns and mountains. (*B*)

<u>Day 5: Saturday, September 20, 2025 Bern - Habkern - Bern</u> Today, depart Bern and head to the small mountain village outside of Interlaken – Habkern. Boasting classic postcard imagery of Switzerland, enjoy a tour with a local workshop owner learning how the alphorn is made, and even entertain your musical side by playing one. After, explore the world of yodeling through a professional demonstration. Perhaps you're a natural and never knew. Finish your afternoon with a fondue lunch at a local restaurant before heading back to Bern. Enjoy the rest of your afternoon at leisure. (*B, L*)

<u>Day 6: Sunday, September 21, 2025 Bern - Lucerne - Bern</u> Set out for Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Enjoy a leisurely paced Altstadt (Old Town) walking tour, exploring the hidden treasures of this 800-year-old city such as the covered Chapel Bridge (1333); the famous Water Tower, which has served as a prison, watchtower and treasury; the Renaissance-style Town Hall; the baroque Jesuit Church; and the Lion Monument, carved from natural rock to commemorate the heroic Swiss Guard. Tonight, dine at one of Bern's great restaurants. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 7: Monday, September 22, 2025 Bern - Liechtenstein - Innsbruck, Austria</u> En route to Innsbruck, make your way through Liechtenstein, the smallest German-speaking country in the world and the only country to lie entirely within the Alps. Upon arrival in Innsbruck, **it's your choice!** Select one of two leisurely walking tours: join a local guide as you discover the city's history, culture and popular attractions including Maria-Theresien-Strasse, the Hofburg and the "Golden Roof" **-OR-** you may embark on a tour focusing on Innsbruck's unique architectural structures including its famous ski jump. (*B*)

<u>Day 8: Tuesday, September 23, 2025 Innsbruck - Salzburg - Innsbruck</u> Travel through the picturesque Austrian countryside to Salzburg. Start your day in Salzburg with a walking tour featuring Mirabell Gardens (seen in *The Sound of Music*), the quaint Getreidegasse (birthplace of Mozart), and many other highlights of this beautiful city. After, enjoy a delightful lunch at the 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, the oldest in Austria and still owned by the monks. Enjoy time in the afternoon at leisure before returning to Innsbruck. (*B*, *L*)

<u>Day 9: Wednesday, September 24, 2025 Innsbruck - Bavaria, Germany - Innsbruck Tour</u> Linderhof Palace, the only palace - out of three - that King Ludwig II lived to see completed. Walk the extraordinary halls that were modeled after Versailles with an expert guide and bask in the luxury of past royals. After, make your way to the Ettal Abbey\* – a Benedictine monastery founded in 1330 by Louis IV. Here, you'll tour the Basilica followed by a brewery tour complete with tastings. Next, return to Innsbruck. Later, experience the rich musical tradition of mountainous Austria during a Tyrolean folklore show hosted by a well-known local musical family. (*B*)

**Day 10: Thursday, September 25, 2025 Innsbruck - Munich, Germany** Make your way to Munich for Oktoberfest, a traditional folk festival from the 1800s. Today, the festival draws people from all over the world and features lively music, savory cuisine, authentic costumes, amusement rides, and millions of beer liters served. In your reserved tent, toast to a fun-filled day of drinks, games, and friendly locals. (B, L)

Day 11: Friday, September 26, 2025 Munich - Tour Ends Your tour comes to an end in Munich. (B)

#### **Highlights And Inclusions**

#### Your Tour Includes

- 3 Handpicked Accommodations
- 13 Meals
- · 2 Choice on Tour Options

#### **Must-See Inclusions:**

- Spend a day exploring Salzburg's historic past and charming Old Town.
- Enjoy a walking tour of Lucerne's Altstadt (Old Town).
- · Tour Linderhof Palace and its beautiful gardens.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- · Witness the creation of Alpine music during an alphorn and yodeling demonstration.
- · Experience a Tyrolean folklore show in Innsbruck.
- Celebrate with locals and travelers from around the globe in your reserved tent at Munich's Oktoberfest.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

- Savor lunch at the 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, Austria's oldest.
- Experience a fondue lunch in a picturesque Alpine town.
- · Dine on Tyrolean cuisine at a local restaurant.

#### Highlights

- Bern
- · Alphorn Maker
- Yodeling Demonstration
- Fondue Lunch
- Lucerne
- Austrian Alps
- Choice on Tour: Cultural City Walking Tour or Architectural Walking Tour
- Innsbruck
- Salzburg
- · Mirabell Gardens
- · St. Peter's Restaurant
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- · Munich Oktoberfest

# **Activity Level**

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## Pre Night Stay Hotel-Hotel Ambassador



Hotel Bern Nights 1-4



Hotel Innsbruck Nights 5-7

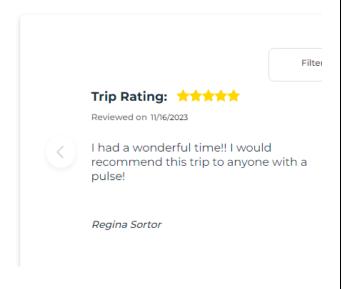


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**HIGHLIGHTS...** Walking Tour of London, Stonehenge, Tin Mining History in Cornwall, Coastal Walk in Cornwall, Bovey Castle Hotel Stay, Dartmoor National Park, Country Pub Dinner, The Cotswolds

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

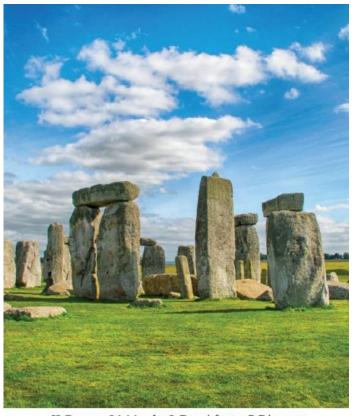
Days 2 - 4 DoubleTree by Hilton West End, London

Days 5, 6 Carlyon Bay Hotel, Cornwall

Days 7, 8 Bovey Castle, Bovey

Days 9, 10 Malmaison Cheltenham, Cheltenham

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



11 Days • 14 Meals: 9 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners

#### **About the Tour**

<u>Day 1: Tuesday, September 16, 2025 Overnight Flight</u> England and its charming countryside await you. Discover the genteel nature and wild landscapes of southern English towns and the vibrant energy of the capital city, London.

<u>Day 2: Wednesday, September 17, 2025 Arrive London, England - Tour Begins Your</u> tour begins today in London, England's dynamic capital, where the medieval intertwines with the modern. In this city steeped in history, everything you've read and seen in films comes to life as you take in the sights and everyday facets of London life.

**<u>Day 3: Thursday, September 18, 2025 London</u>** Tonight, join your fellow travelers for dinner at a local restaurant. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 4: Friday, September 19, 2025 London</u> Set out on a walking tour of London's iconic sights, including Big Ben, Westminster Abbey, Downing Street, and the royal residence of Buckingham Palace. History is all around as you walk along cobblestone streets and discover both old and new London with your local guide. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy free time and explore the city independently. (*B*)

<u>Day 5: Saturday, September 20, 2025 London - Stonehenge - Cornwall</u> Say goodbye to London and travel to the iconic site of Stonehenge. On this self-guided visit, follow in the footsteps of the prehistoric natives who lived here over 4,000 years ago. Continue your journey into the countryside with a stop at a family-owned farm shop on a working organic farm in the heart of a small community. Later, arrive in Cornwall on England's remote southern peninsula. Settle in for your stay at a luxury resort on the Cornish coast and join your fellow travelers for dinner tonight. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 6: Sunday, September 21, 2025 Cornwall** Joined by a local guide, discover the rugged beauty of Cornwall, the breathtaking backdrop that steals the spotlight in the BBC's *Poldark*. Uncover why so many poets, writers, and artists have found inspiration in this setting, with its miles of sandy beaches and outstanding natural beauty. And learn how the tin mining industry, dating back to the Bronze Age, has defined the landscape and local economy. Take time for lunch in a typical Cornish town and then breathe in the ocean air on an hour's coastal walk with your local guide. (*B*)

<u>Day 7: Monday, September 22, 2025 Cornwall - Devon</u> After breakfast, join a woodland walk down to the harborside of Charlestown. While famous for *Poldark*, this picturesque place has appeared in many films, including *The Eagle Has Landed* and Tim Burton's *Alice in Wonderland*. Next, it's on to Padstow, a charming fishing village, known locally for its famous chefs. After a brief orientation walk, free time is yours to enjoy lunch and explore on your own. This afternoon, travel to your home for the next two nights: Bovey Castle, a country retreat in Devon. Delve into the English's love of stately homes during your stay at this neo-Elizabethan manor house, your glimpse into the lifestyle of English aristocracy. Tonight, a local storyteller regales you with myths, legends, and folklore before dinner at this classic English estate. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 8: Tuesday, September 23, 2025 Devon</u> This morning, journey into the heart of Dartmoor National Park. As you travel by motor coach, learn about the mystery and legends surrounding this beautiful and wild area, and visit some of the towns and villages within it. After free time for lunch, return to Bovey Castle. Tonight, it's dinner out at a traditional English country pub! (*B, D*)

<u>Day 9: Wednesday, September 24, 2025 Devon - Cotswolds</u> Today, venture into the Cotswolds region, taking in the rolling hills and honey-colored stone homes that make this one of England's most beautiful areas. Arrive in Castle Combe, a quaint and picturesque Cotswolds village waiting to be explored. The afternoon is yours to soak in the rich history and stroll the pretty streets at your own pace. Later, arrive at your Cotswolds hotel and enjoy an evening at leisure. (*B*)

<u>Day 10: Thursday, September 25, 2025 Cotswolds</u> This morning, visit Chavenage House, a country estate dating back to the 16th century, constructed of Cotswold stone and tiles. A guided tour delves into the deep history of this manor house, which is also recognizable as a filming location featured in *Poldark*. Next, spend some free time in a neighboring town and find a nice spot for lunch on your own. This afternoon,

discover more of the Cotswolds' charm in beautiful Burford before enjoying a farewell dinner at a local inn with a toast to your English adventure. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 11: Friday, September 26, 2025 Cotswolds - Tour Ends</u> Your journey from London through the English countryside ends today. (*B*)

## **Highlights And Inclusions**

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- 13 Meals

#### Must-See Inclusions:

- · Marvel at the mystery of Stonehenge, and step back in time in a Neolithic Village.
- · Discover scenic Cornwall and its rich tin mining history.
- Spend two nights at Bovey Castle, a neo-Elizabethan manor house.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- Enjoy the fast-paced energy of London with a local guide.
- · Take a scenic hour long walk along Cornwall's iconic coastline.
- · Explore dramatic Dartmoor, steeped in English folklore and legends.
- Discover the quaint and quintessentially English villages of the Cotswolds.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

- At Bovey Castle, hear a storyteller share local folklore and enjoy classic English dining.
- · Eat like a local in a typical English country pub.

**Activity Level** 









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#### Highlights

- Walking Tour of London
- Stonehenge
- Tin Mining History in Cornwall
- Coastal Walk in Cornwall
- Bovey Castle Hotel Stay
- · Dartmoor National Park
- · Country Pub Dinner
- The Cotswolds



## **Pre Night Stay**

Hotel-DoubleTree by Hilton West End



DoubleTree by Hilton West End



**Bovey Castle** Nights 5-6



Carlyon Bay Hotel Nights 3-4



The Queens Hotel Cheltenham

Nights 7-8





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Escorted Tour with Collette Tours Iceland's Magical Northern Lights

November 17<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025





**HIGHLIGHTS...** Reykjavík, Northern Lights Cruise, Search for the Northern Lights, Golden Circle, Thingvellir National Park, Gullfoss, Lava Exhibition Center, Vik, Seljalandsfoss, Skógar Museum, Skógafoss, Sólheimajökull Glacier, Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, Blue Lagoon

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2, 3 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik

Days 4-6 Hotel Dyrholaey, Vik

Day 7 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



8 Days • 11 Meals: 6 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners

#### **About the Tour**

<u>Day 1: Monday, November 17, 2025 Overnight Flight</u> You're on your way to Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice. Where steaming lava fields and massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving thundering waterfalls and plunging fjords. In this land of many natural wonders, enjoy the rare opportunity to search for the aurora borealis — one of nature's most dazzling light displays, also known as the northern lights.\*

<u>Day 2: Tuesday, November 18, 2025 Arrive Reykjavik, Iceland</u> Your tour opens today in Iceland's capital city, Reykjavík. Enjoy time to get to know the place where your journey begins.

<u>Day 3: Wednesday, November 19, 2025 Reykjavík</u> Enjoy a morning of leisure. This afternoon, get acquainted with old town Reykjavík on a walking tour with a local guide to see the harbor, city hall, the Parliament building, and the nearby cathedral dating back to 1796. Gather with your fellow travelers at a popular restaurant for dinner featuring Icelandic cuisine. This evening, take an adventurous northern lights cruise\*\* and sail into the darkness of Faxaflói Bay in search of the aurora borealis.\* (*B, D*)

<u>Day 4: Thursday, November 20, 2025 Reykjavík - Golden Circle - Vik</u> Travel the Golden Circle this morning to experience natural wonders, including the explosive Geysir thermal area and the double-cascade Gullfoss waterfall. You'll also experience the famous Thingvellir National Park, where you'll stand upon the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge. In the afternoon, stop at the Lava Exhibition Center and delve into Iceland's past and present volcanic eruptions. Afterward, witness Seljalandsfoss, a rushing waterfall where you may walk behind the water for unique views from the inside out before continuing onto Vík. Drive, or venture on foot, into the stillness of rural Iceland in search of the northern lights. You'll enjoy three nights of searching to increase your likelihood of catching a glimpse of these elusive lights.\* (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 5: Friday, November 21, 2025 Vik - Reynisfjara - Vík</u> Begin your day with journey to Reynisfjara, a volcanic sandy beach surrounded by basalt formations and home to thousands of nesting sea birds. Look out over the natural rock formations at Dyrhólaey, a small peninsula of volcanic origin towering over the ocean. Next, visit the Skógar Museum and discover its turf-built homes and artifacts. Afterward, stand in awe before the impressive Skógafoss waterfall, one of Iceland's biggest and most beautiful waterfalls. Cap off your day with a visit to Sólheimajökull Glacier, Iceland's fourth largest glacier. After dinner, gaze at the sky in search of the northern lights.\* (B, D)

<u>Day 6: Saturday, November 22, 2025 Vik - Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon - Vík</u> This morning, travel through the area of Vatnäjökul National Park to Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon and marvel at all the floating icebergs. Explore this extraordinary landscape as you search for seals swimming in cold waters. Enjoy even more breathtaking scenery on your way back to Vik. After dinner, continue searching for the northern lights dancing across the night sky.\* (B, D)

<u>Day 7: Sunday, November 23, 2025 Vík - Blue Lagoon - Reykjavík</u> Drive along the south shore towards the Reykjanes Peninsula. Known for its rugged landscape, lava fields, and numerous hot springs, the peninsula is home to the Blue Lagoon. Take a dip in the warm, mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool, located in the heart of a dramatic lava field. Return to Reykjavík for your farewell dinner and overnight stay. (*B, D*)

<u>Day 8: Monday, November 24, 2025 Reykjavík - Tour Ends</u> Depart for home with many incredible memories of your time in Iceland. (*B*)

## **Highlights And Inclusions**

#### Your Tour Includes

- 3 Handpicked Accommodations
- 11 Meals

#### Must-See Inclusions:

- Search for nature's dazzling display on a northern lights cruise in Reykjavík.
- Venture out into the countryside outside of Vík for 3 nights in search of more aurora borealis sightings.
- · See Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs.
- · Relax in the warm, mineral-rich water of the Blue Lagoon.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- · Experience the energy at the geothermal fields of Geysir.
- Explore Skógar Museum, covering all aspects of Icelandic life.
- Learn about the volcanic nature of the island of Iceland during a visit to the Lava Exhibition Center.
- Straddle two continents while exploring Thingvellir's rugged rift valley.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

• Savor gourmet Icelandic cuisine at a popular local restaurant.

#### Highlights

- Reykjavík
- Northern Lights Cruise
- Search for the Northern Lights
- Golden Circle
- Thingvellir National Park
- Gullfoss
- Lava Exhibition Center
- Vik
- Seljalandsfoss
- Skógar Museum
- Skógafoss
- Sólheimajökull Glacier
- · Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon
- Blue Lagoon

# **Activity Level**









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# Pre Night Stay Hotel-Centerhotel Plaza



Centerhotel Plaza Night 1



Hotel Dyrholaey Nights 2-4

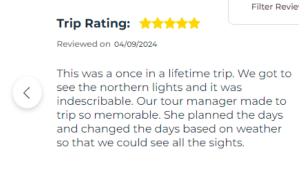


Centerhotel Plaza Night 5

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# Join the Fun Tours presents... European Christmas Markets Ft. Prague, Vienna & Budapest



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European Christmas Markets

Ft. Prague, Vienna & Budapest

December 6<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025





HIGHLIGHTS... Prague's Christmas Markets, Prague Castle, Choice on Tour: Vltava Boat Tour or Jewish Heritage Tour, Dresden's Christmas Markets, Ceský Krumlov, Vienna's Christmas Markets, Viennese Candy Workshop, Train Ride to Bratislava, Budapest's Christmas Markets, Matthias Church, Fisherman's Bastion

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2-5 Hotel Grandium, Prague

Days 6, 7 Intercontinental Hotel Wien, Vienna

Days 8, 9 Courtyard by Marriott Budapest City Center,

Budapest

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



10 Days • 12 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 4 Dinners

## **About the Tour**

<u>Day 1: Saturday, December 6, 2025 Overnight Flight</u> Set out on a grand holiday adventure through the winter wonderland of the Imperial Cities of Central Europe – Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Along the way, immerse yourself in festive Christmas markets, enjoy traditional entertainment, sample local cuisine, and glimpse this region's rich history.

<u>Day 2: Sunday, December 7, 2025 Arrive Prague, Czech Republic - Tour Begins</u> Your tour begins today in Prague, the "City of 100 Spires." Behold ancient landmarks and medieval architecture.

**<u>Day 3: Monday, December 8, 2025 Prague</u>** This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (*B, D*)

<u>Day 4: Tuesday, December 9, 2025 Prague</u> Feel the magic and wonder of Prague amid the holiday season. Your introduction to this fairy-tale city begins with a panoramic tour. Explore the "Castle District," including the gothic St. Vitus Cathedral and the majestic Prague Castle. Then decide how to further explore Prague because **it's your choice!** Learn more about the city's Jewish heritage and visit Europe's oldest active synagogue\* on a heritage tour **-OR-** board a boat to see a different side of Prague on a Vltava River cruise. The remainder of your afternoon and evening is at leisure to take in the best Prague has to offer independently. Take in the iconic, statue-lined Charles Bridge, a picturesque structure stretching over the Vltava River, and don't miss the famous Christmas market in Prague's Old Town Square, where brightly decorated wooden huts are filled with the work of local artisans, and traditional food and drink are prepared right in front of you. (*B*)

<u>Day 5: Wednesday, December 10, 2025 Prague - Dresden, Germany - Prague, Czech Republic</u>
Travel to Dresden, Germany, known as "Florence on the Elbe." Meet a local guide for a tour highlighting its' baroque splendor and architectural treasures such as Frauenkirche (Church of Our Lady) and the Royal Palace. Visit the world's oldest Christmas market – the Striezelmarkt – which has been delighting travelers and locals alike since 1434. Take time to explore the stalls overflowing with ornaments, sample local sweets and get lunch on your own before returning to Prague later in the afternoon. (*B*)

<u>Day 6: Thursday, December 11, 2025 Prague - Ceský Krumlov - Vienna, Austria</u> Depart Prague and travel through the scenic countryside on your way to Vienna, Austria. En route, make a stop in the medieval town of Ceský-Krumlov. Lined with towering Baroque architecture, explore the quaint-preserved streets independently and have time for lunch on your own. Continue to the one-of-a-kind Marchfelderhof Restaurant, a favorite since the 1800s of locals, visitors, and the famous alike. Indulge in dinner at the iconic Viennese restaurant rich with tradition. Arrive in the grand city of Vienna, capital of Austria, aglow with holiday lights, and perhaps join your Tour Manager for an evening stroll. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 7: Friday, December 12, 2025 Vienna</u> This morning, meet your local guide on a scenic bus ride and walking tour to Vienna's city center and behold the beautiful architecture, scenic parks, and gothic spires that fill the city. Learn more about Vienna's sweet confectionary history when you visit a candy workshop where candies are still being made according to traditional recipes dating back over 150 years. An afternoon at leisure allows time to visit the Christkindlmarkt, perhaps the biggest and most famous in the city, at the neo-gothic Rathaus City Hall. Tonight, you may choose an option to explore the Christmas market and the interiors at the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace, together with a classical music performance at the famous Orangerie where the past comes alive. (*B*)

**Day 8: Saturday, December 13, 2025 Vienna - Bratislava, Slovakia - Budapest, Hungary** Hop aboard a train to Bratislava, the former Imperial capital of the Habsburg Empire. Enjoy free time to have lunch and explore some of the city's 4,000-year-old history independently – don't miss the charming Christmas markets! Continue through the Hungarian countryside to spend an afternoon at a beautiful rustic local restaurant preserving 200-years of typical Hungarian cultural and architectural traditions. Learn how to make traditional strudel before enjoying a typical Hungarian dinner. Later this evening, arrive in Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube" and your home for the next 2 nights. Enjoy the evening on your own or join your Tour Manager for an evening walk. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 9: Sunday, December 14, 2025 Budapest</u> Join a local expert for a panoramic tour of the city, where you'll discover the incredible neo-gothic marvel of Matthias Church atop Buda Castle Hill, the Fisherman's Bastion, the historic Old Buda and Gellert Hill, and the Parliament House. This afternoon, enjoy some free time to explore Budapest on your own. Perhaps you will visit the cozy Christmas market at St. Stephen's Basilica with its ice rink and gorgeous tree, or head to the city's largest market at Vörösmarty Square brimming with food and crafts stalls where local musicians often perform. This evening join your fellow travelers to toast the end of a festive trip at a farewell dinner. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 10: Monday, December 15, 2025 Budapest - Tour Ends</u> Say goodbye to these regal cities as your tour comes to a close today. (*B*)

# **Highlights And Inclusions**

#### Your Tour Includes

- · 3 Handpicked Accommodations
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#### Must-See Inclusions:

- · Visit the magnificent Schönbrunn Palace, a summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty.
- · Discover Budapest's iconic sights through the eyes of an expert.
- Experience the world's oldest Christmas market in lovely Dresden, Germany.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- · Tour the majestic Prague Castle.
- Be whisked by train from Vienna to Bratislava.
- Visit 5 different countries filled with the holiday spirit.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

- · Experience how to make typical Hungarian strudel.
- · Learn the secrets of Viennese confectionary during a candy making demonstration.
- Dine at the famous Marchfelderhof, an iconic restaurant with a rich Viennese tradition.

#### Highlights

- · Prague's Christmas Markets
- Prague Castle
- Choice on Tour: Vltava Boat Tour or Jewish Heritage Tour
- · Dresden's Christmas Markets
- Ceský Krumlov
- · Vienna's Christmas Markets
- Viennese Candy Workshop
- Train Ride to Bratislava
- Budapest's Christmas Markets
- Matthias Church
- Fisherman's Bastion

# **Activity Level**



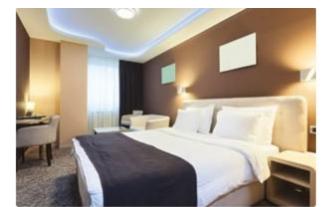






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# Pre Night Stay Hotel-Hotel Grandium



Grandior Hotel
Nights 1-3



Intercontinental Hotel Wien

Nights 4-5



Courtyard by Marriott Budapest City Center

Nights 6-7

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# Join the Fun Tours presents... The Northern Lights of Finland





Escorted Tour with Collette Tours

The Northern Lights of Finland

Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026





**HIGHLIGHTS...** Helsinki, Helsinki Cathedral, Lapland Region, Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort, Meet & Greet with Santa, Reindeer Safari, Northern Lights Searches, Husky Safari, Glass Igloo Accommodation

#### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 4 Lilla Roberts Hotel, Helsinki

Days 5 - 7 Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort - West Village,

Kakslauttanen

Day 8 Lilla Roberts Hotel, Helsinki

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9 Days • 13 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 5 Dinners

## **About the Tour**

<u>Day 1: Sunday, December 28, 2025 Overnight Flight</u> On an adventure to the top of the world, experience a side of life that feeds the imagination and leaves you forever enchanted with Finland, "Daughter of the Baltic."

<u>Day 2: Monday, December 29, 2025 Arrive Helsinki, Finland</u> Hei Helsinki! Today, Finland's vibrant capital, where history converges with architectural style and combines with a laid-back vibe across beautiful islands and pristine public parks, welcomes you.

<u>Day 3: Tuesday, December 30, 2025 Helsinki</u> Enjoy time to get to know the place where your journey begins. This evening, gather with new friends for a welcome dinner in the city center, taking a 20-minute stroll to a local restaurant. *Hyvää ruokahalua!* (bon appetit!) (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 4: Wednesday, December 31, 2025 Helsinki</u> Join a local expert for an engaging city tour. If Finland's heart beats in Helsinki, then Helsinki's core is in Senate Square, home of Helsinki Cathedral, the city's most iconic building. Take a 90-minute walking tour of empiric-designed Tori Quarters before enjoying some free time in Market Square, the city's famous international market. See the steel monument dedicated to the composer Sibelius. During your free time, explore more of Helsinki independently. (*B*)

<u>Day 5: Thursday, January 1, 2026 Helsinki - Kakslauttanen - Northern Lights Search</u> Escape to northernmost Finland's winter wonderland on board a flight to Ivalo and magical Lapland. Like a storybook come to life, Lapland's culture is steeped in myth and legend. Relish a sled ride with reindeer and unspoiled views of the northern lights.\* At the remote Kakslauttanen Resort, spend two nights in your very own Finnish log cabin\*\* indulging in your own personal Finnish sauna. Take the motor coach north toward Inari on a chase for the northern lights.\* Stops along the pursuit allow you the chance to witness nature's dazzling, electric light show.\* (*B*, *L*, *D*)

<u>Day 6: Friday, January 2, 2026 Kakslauttanen - Santa Claus' Home - Reindeer Safari - Northern Lights</u> Hit the snow and mush yourself to breakfast aboard your own authentic Finnish sleigh. After a leisurely breakfast, meet Santa's Elves who will escort you to meet Santa Claus in his own home. Learn about Santa's origins during a warm and friendly conversation at his house. After dinner, under the Arctic moonlight, a reindeer farmer introduces you to some friendly Lappish reindeer that will escort you on an exhilarating safari through remote Kakslauttanen. Gain insight into the importance of reindeer herding to the Sámi indigenous culture. Sip warm berry juice, a Finnish tradition, around an open fire, inside a Lappish Tepee in the surround of northern Finland's wilderness as you continue the search for the elusive northern lights.\* (*B, D*)

<u>Day 7: Saturday, January 3, 2026 Kakslauttanen - Husky Safari - Northern Lights Search</u> Breathe in the fresh Arctic air this morning and step into the role as leader of your own dog sled team. Zoom through the wilderness on a husky safari, driving your husky guides that are as fast as they are adorable. Spend some time getting to know these amazing dogs and learn about their different commands. You'll also be introduced to the equipment you'll need to experience this incredible Arctic adventure at its best. Enjoy your last night in the heart of the Lappish wilderness, nestled in your incredible and unique glass igloo.\*\*\* You may even see the northern lights\* dancing overhead from the comfort of your own bed. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 8: Sunday, January 4, 2026 Kakslauttanen - Helsinki** Say goodbye to enchanting Lapland and fly back to Helsinki. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure. Explore the city's central squares and get in tune with the latest Finnish trends at a collection of charming shops. Tonight, in downtown Helsinki, toast to grand adventures and new friends. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 9: Monday, January 5, 2026 Helsinki - Tour Ends** Set out for home with incredible memories and a longing to return. (*B*)

# **Highlights And Inclusions**

#### Your Tour Includes

- · 3 Handpicked Accommodations
- 12 Meals

#### Must-See Inclusions:

- · Tour Helsinki alongside a local expert.
- · Explore Lapland in search of the northern lights.
- · Visit the famous Rock Church in Helsinki.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- Introduce yourself to majestic Lappish reindeer and take an evening sled ride.
- · Lead your very own dog sled team.
- Spend the night in a glass igloo amid the Lappish wilderness.
- Immerse yourself in the Arctic wilderness and learn about Sámi cultural traditions over the course of a 3-night stay in the north of Finland.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

- · Indulge in Finnish and Lappish cuisine.
- · Sip warm berry juice, a Finnish winter tradition.

# **Activity Level**









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#### Highlights

- Helsinki
- · Helsinki Cathedral
- Lapland Region
- Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort
- Meet & Greet with Santa
- Reindeer Safari
- Northern Lights Searches
- Husky Safari
- Glass Igloo Accommodation



Lilla Roberts Hotel Nights 1-2



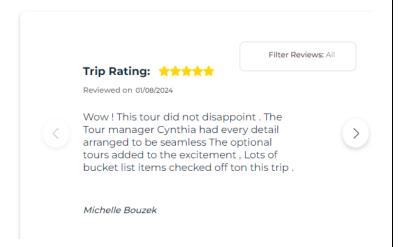
Kakslauttanen Arctic Resort - West Village Nights 3-5

Lilla Roberts Hotel Night 6

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\*Pre-Night Extension

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Day 2 Helsinki

Day 3 Helsinki

Day 4

Kakslauttanen

Day 5 Kakslauttanen

Day 6 Kakslauttanen

Day 7 Helsinki Day 8 Helsinki

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# Join the Fun Tours presents... Old World Sicily & Malta



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Escorted Tour with Collette Tours
Old World Sicily & Malta

April 7<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026





**HIGHLIGHTS...** Malta, Grand Harbour Cruise, Valletta, Impact Moment, Ferry to Sicily, Aromatic Herb Farm Tour, Ragusa-Ibla, Siracusa, Choice on Tour: Ancient Siracusa Archeological Site or Ancient Siracusa Archeological Museum, Taormina's Greek Theatre, Mount Etna Off-Road Excursion

#### ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 - 6 Land's End Boutique Hotel, Tas-Sliema

Days 7-9 San Giorgio Palace Hotel, Ragusa

Days 10 – 12 Excelsior Palace Hotel Taormina, Taormina

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13 Days • 16 Meals: 11 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 Dinners

## **About the Tour**

<u>Day 1: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 Overnight Flight</u> You're on your way to Malta and Sicily – legendary isles nestled amongst the deep blue waves of the Mediterranean. Discover how ancient traditions blend into modern society as you travel along timeless Italian and Maltese towns.

<u>Day 2: Wednesday, April 8, 2026 Sliema - Tour Begins</u> Start your journey today with a 5-night stay in Sliema, a welcoming Maltese resort town with a lively waterfront promenade. Stretch your legs and take in views of Marsamxett Harbour and Manoel Island. Uncover Malta's deeply rooted heritage, teeming with mysterious prehistoric temples and Renaissance architectural masterpieces.

**Day 3: Thursday, April 9, 2026 Sliema** Enjoy a day of leisure. This evening, get to know your fellow travelers over a welcome dinner. (*B*, *D*)

<u>Day 4: Friday, April 10, 2026 Sliema - Valletta - Sliema</u> Begin your adventure with a panoramic sailing of Valletta's (UNESCO) Grand Harbour aboard traditional *Dghajsa* boats\* before exploring the Maltese capital during a walking tour led by a local expert. View the skyline of the Three Cities from the Upper Barrakka Gardens and take in the elegant profile of the Grand Master's Palace. Then, enjoy some time to explore on your own. This afternoon, visit the private home of a modern-day Knight of Malta before hopping on the local ferry\* back to Sliema for an evening at leisure. (*B*)

<u>Day 5: Saturday, April 11, 2026 Sliema</u> The entire day is yours. With free time, you might choose to relax in Sliema or venture back to Valletta for a visit to Caravaggio's masterpiece housed in Saint John's Co-Cathedral. Or join an optional full day exploration of the Isle of Gozo,\* the second largest island of the Maltese archipelago and home to the Ggantija temple complex (UNESCO), which is older than Stonehenge. (*B*)

**Day 6: Sunday, April 12, 2026 Sliema - Maltese Village Experience** Enjoy a morning at leisure. Perhaps you'll join a half-day optional tour to Mdina – the "Silent City" and Malta's ancient capital. This afternoon, immerse yourself in Maltese traditions as you board a retro bus for a village where daily life and customs remain unchanged. Experience an **Impact Moment** as you are hosted for dinner at a local band club. Band clubs have a special place in the community. A source of intense pride and with a solid place in Maltese social culture, the band club's premises are an ideal meeting point for locals to exchange gossip, play a game of pool or engage in village *festa* activities. (*B, D*)

<u>Day 7: Monday, April 13, 2026 Sliema - Ferry to Sicily - Ragusa Countryside, Italy</u> Early this morning, grab your bags\*\* and hop on a ferry\*\*\* to Sicily. Pause in the seaside town of Pozzallo for a Sicilian breakfast. As in most of Italy, breakfast in Sicily is a simple but tasty affair, traditionally consisting of a pastry and *cappuccino*. Continue your culinary exploration of the Sicilian countryside with a visit to a family-owned herb farm to learn about their production of organic aromatic plants. Then, during lunch, enjoy dishes enlivened with herbs grown on the farm. A delightful way to experience the region's unique and delicious flavors. This afternoon, settle into your hotel for a leisurely 3-night stay in the Ragusa countryside. (*B, L, D*)

<u>Day 8: Tuesday, April 14, 2026 Ragusa Countryside - Ragusa-Ibla - Ragusa Countryside</u> Make your way to Ragusa-Ibla (UNESCO), a time-worn city perched upon a hill. Meander through its late-Baroque neighborhood with an expert guide, passing by winding lanes, cobblestone streets, and wrought iron balconies. Make the most of a free afternoon to explore on your own. As the sun sets, retreat to your countryside resort just outside the city or linger in town for a dinner on own. (*B*)

**Day 9: Wednesday, April 15, 2026 Ragusa Countryside** The day is yours to do as you please. With free time, you might choose to relax in the countryside and enjoy the resort's amenities. Or, perhaps you will join an optional tour to the picture-perfect towns of Scicli and Modica (UNESCO), where you'll enjoy a savory brunch featuring fresh ricotta at a countryside restaurant before venturing to an Aztec chocolate shop for some sweet samples. (*B*)

<u>Day 10: Thursday, April 16, 2026 Ragusa Countryside - Siracusa - Taormina</u> Take in the rugged landscape of South-Eastern Sicily en route to Siracusa (UNESCO). Then, **it's your choice!** Discover the expansive Neapolis, the ancient Greek colony established 27 centuries ago **-OR-** take in the ancient city's most

precious treasures during a visit of the archeological museum in company of a local expert. This afternoon, relax during a bus transfer to Taormina, a charming resort town perched high above the Mediterranean Sea. (B)

<u>Day 11: Friday, April 17, 2026 Taormina</u> Discover Taormina with a local guide, leading you to the city's Duomo, public gardens, and the well-preserved Greek theater. Walk in the footsteps of ancient attendees and take in an unparalleled viewpoint of the adjacent ocean. Spend the free afternoon on your own. Perhaps you'll grab a bite to eat at a sidewalk café, or peruse the local boutiques for handcrafted souvenirs. (*B*)

**Day 12: Saturday, April 18, 2026 Taormina - Mount Etna - Taormina** See Sicily's wilder side on an off-road adventure to Mount Etna (UNESCO). Stare up at the iconic peak as your vehicle climbs along the sides of Europe's largest active volcano. Spend the day exploring this legendary giant, passing by lava formations and basalt rocks. Back in Taormina, gather with your fellow travelers as you recount memories of the Mediterranean islands accompanied by Sicilian food at dinner, surrounded by local musicians. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 13: Sunday, April 19, 2026 Taormina - Tour Ends** Say goodbye to Sicily and the Mediterranean as your tour comes to a close today. (*B*)

## **Highlights And Inclusions**

- 3 Handpicked Accommodations
- 15 Meals
- 2 Choice on Tour Options

#### **Must-See Inclusions:**

- Explore Valletta (UNESCO), the capital of the Knights of Malta, a city "built by gentlemen for gentlemen."
- Pass by Baroque architecture and wrought iron balconies on a winding walking tour of Ragusa (UNESCO).
- Spend three nights in Taormina (UNESCO) and explore its iconic Greek theater.

#### **Cultural Experiences:**

- Soak up the island ambiance of Malta with a 4-night stay in Sliema.
- Delve into Maltese culture during a tour of a traditional limestone village.
- · Ascend the sides of Mount Etna (UNESCO) in off-road vehicles.

#### **Culinary Inclusions:**

- Explore the flavors of Maltese cuisine during a family-style dinner at a local band club.
- Pause for a Sicilian cappuccino and pastry breakfast at a local "bar."
- Visit a family-owned organic herb farm and enjoy a lunch flavored with delicious aromatic plants.

- Malta
- Grand Harbour Cruise
- Valletta
- Impact Moment
- · Ferry to Sicily
- Aromatic Herb Farm Tour
- · Ragusa-Ibla
- Siracusa
- Choice on Tour: Ancient Siracusa Archeological Site or Ancient Siracusa Archeological Museum
- · Taormina's Greek Theatre
- · Mount Etna Off-Road Excursion

# **Activity Level**









#### Activity Level 3 - Active

You're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

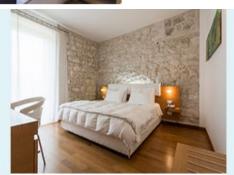


Pre Night Stay Hotel-Lands End Boutique



Land's End Boutique Hotel

Nights 1-4



Hotel Villa Carlotta Nights 5-7



Hotel Villa Diodoro Nights 8-10





\*Pre-Night

Day 1

Day 2

Day 3

Day 4

Day 5

Day 6

Extension

Overnight Flight

Tas-Sliema

Tas-Sliema

Tas-Sliema

Tas-Sliema

Sliema

Day 7 Ragusa

Countryside

Day 8 Ragusa

Countryside

Taormina

Day 9

Day 10

Taormina

Day 11

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Day 12

Taormina

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