

European Experience Tour 12D/11N

**Countries Covered: NETHERLANDS, BELGIUM, FRANCE, GERMANY, SWITZERLAND, AUSTRIA AND
ITALY**

Cities Covered: BRUSSELS, PARIS, ZURICH, VENICE, FLORENCE, ROME

Highlights

- Hotel Accommodation
- Tickets to Canal Cruise
- Visit to the Iconic Eiffel Tower 3rd level
- Visit to Cuckoo Clock factory
- Rhine Falls Boat ride
- Visit to Mount Titlis
- Tour to the Jungfrauoch
- Tickets to Swarovski Crystals
- Leaning Tower of Pisa (photostop)
- Visit St Peters Basilica
- All Meals (As per itinerary)
- Complimentary travel bag per room - a special gift from Southern Travels

**Day 1 Arrive - Brussels/Netherlands. Begin your 'Best of European Experience Tour.
(Keukenhof Castle Garden OR Madurodam. Visit to Amsterdam - Orientation Tour. Photo-stop
at a Windmill. Canal Cruise of Amsterdam.**

Welcome to your Southern Travels Best of European Experience tour. On arrival in Brussels,/Netherlands met by your Southern Travel Tour Manager who will welcome you and then proceed to visit Madurodam - Holland in miniature. Feel like a giant amidst models of palaces, canals, windmills, Harbors, and airports. Next, stop at one of the windmills - a symbol of the Netherlands, a splendid backdrop for a family photograph.

Discover Amsterdam in a novel manner as we take you on a cruise along its canals, the best way to see this captivating city. Overnight at the hotel in Brussels,/Netherland.

(Indian Dinner).



Day 2: Orientation Tour of Brussels. Guided City Tour of Paris Visit to Eiffel Tower Level - 3rd Level

After a continental breakfast, we check out and proceed on an orientation tour of Brussels. See the adorable Manneken Pis Statue, a charming fountain of a little boy, the symbol of Brussels, the beautiful Grand Place and the Town Hall. Next, we drive to Paris. On arrival, we proceed on a guided panoramic city tour of Paris. See Place de la Concorde, the majestic Arc de Triumph, the fashionable Champs Elysees and the magnificent Opera House. We then proceed to visit the Eiffel Tower, the symbol of Paris, where a bird's eye view from the 3rd level will leave you breathless! Overnight at the hotel in Paris.

(Continental Breakfast, Packed Lunch, Indian Dinner)

Day 03: Day at Leisure or Optional Visit to Disneyland or visit to Louvre Museum/ Versailles/ Seine Cruise.

Day free on your own or opt for a full-day optional tour to Disneyland. Get charmed by Cinderella's castle. Take an exciting roller coaster ride down Thunder Mountain. Visit Fantasyland and meet Alice in Wonderland, Pinocchio, Peter Pan and Snow White. Get thrilled by the legends of Aladdin and Indiana Jones at Adventureland. Ride a space shuttle to the moon at Discovery land. Encounter Ghost Ships, Steam trains and Western scenes in the Wild West town of Frontierland. Or an Optional visit to the Louvre Museum, the world- renowned Louvre Museum, to see the incomparable and the most prestigious painting of the Mona Lisa. Overnight at the hotel in Paris.

(Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Indian Dinner).

Day 04: Paris– Titisee– Cuckoo Factory

After a continental breakfast, we check out and drive to Titisee, travel through the Black Forest region– an evergreen, magical land full of cultural traditions and home to cuckoo clocks, striking half-timber houses, ruined castles and quaint towns. Visit the cuckoo clock factory at Drubba, Titisee. Overnight at the hotel in the Black Forest area.
(Continental Breakfast, Packed Lunch, Indian Dinner).

Day 05: Visit the Rhine falls then proceed to Switzerland

After a continental breakfast, we check out and travel to Schaffhausen (Neuhausen) & enjoy a boat ride to the rock for a spectacular view of the falls– Rhine Falls. Arrive in Switzerland in the evening. Overnight at the Hotel in Central Switzerland.
(Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Indian Dinner).

Day 06: Visit to Mount Titlis and Orientation Tour of Lucerne

After a continental breakfast, we proceed to Mt. Titlis, which at 10,000 ft is the highest peak in Central Switzerland. At Mt. Titlis you have free time to play and enjoy in the snow, visit the Ice Cave or just relax at the restaurant. At the Terrace on top of the Mt. Titlis summit station, weather permitting, you could take a walk over 'Titlis Cliff Walk', which is the highest suspension bridge in Europe - at a stomach-turning 9,800 ft (3,000m) above sea level. Later, proceed to an orientation tour of Lucerne. Overnight at the Hotel in Central Switzerland.
(Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Indian Dinner).

Day 07: Tour to the Jungfrauoch with Interlaken and lunch

After a continental breakfast, we proceed to the Jungfrauoch. Our scenic drive to Lauterbrunnen, from where we board a train to Jungfrauoch the highest altitude railway station in Europe at 11,333 ft., takes us along lovely lakes and mountain passes. On top of Jungfrauoch, experience the magic of the mountains at the Sphinx Terrace. See the breathtaking Jungfrau Peak and the awesome Aletsch Glacier. Also, visit the Ice Palace, where you can see a beautiful display of sculptures made of ice. Enjoy an Indian vegetarian lunch on top. Send a postcard to your friends and relatives from Europe's highest altitude Post office with its own special postmark. Later we proceed to Interlaken, overnight at the Hotel in Central Switzerland.
(Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Indian Dinner).

DAY 08: Onto Innsbruck. Visit Vaduz. Visit Swarovski Crystal. Innsbruck

After Continental breakfast we will proceed to the Principality of Liechtenstein and a stop at Vaduz - the capital, famous for postage stamps. Later onto Austria. En route halt at the internationally renowned Swarovski Crystal Worlds in Wattens, and prepare to be dazzled at the 'Chambers of Wonder'! In a wondrous blue hall dominated by a Unicum- a wall of crystal, you see the world's biggest crystal and it's smallest! Over 7 million people from all corners of the globe, have already been thrilled by the Swarovski experience - now you are one of them! Continue a scenic drive to Innsbruck. Located on the Inn River, Innsbruck is one of Europe's most beautiful and lively cities. An international center for winter sports, it has hosted the Winter Olympics twice! Our Orientation tour introduces you to its world famous sights. View the Golden Roof or 'Goldenes Dachl', an ornate Gothic balcony erected by the Emperor Maximilian in the 15th century, decorated with gold painted copper shingles. Next walk to the Imperial Church followed by the 'Hofburg' or Imperial Palace for

photo stop. This Capital of the Alps has a history of 800 years! Later check into the hotel. Overnight in Innsbruck Area.
(Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Indian Dinner).

Day 09: Innsbruck- Venice- Padova/ Venice Mestre

After a continental breakfast, we check-out and drive to Venice, the romantic Italian city, known for its unique architecture. We arrive in Venice, an archipelago of 118 islands, 170 canals & 400 bridges. We drive over Mussolini's Bridge of Liberty, the very heart of Venice. Here, see the historic Ducal Palace, the infamous prison, the Bridge of Sighs, the exquisite Clock Tower and the splendour of St. Mark's Basilica. Soak in the unique atmosphere of this charming city at St. Mark's Square, the most photographed Square in the world. Overnight at the hotel in Padova / Vicenza.
(Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Indian Dinner).



DAY 10: Venice - Pisa- Florence

After a continental breakfast, drive across the Apennine Mountains, along the Brenta River past Bologna, to Pisa, the hometown of Galileo and a city, which makes the most of its claim to fame - its Leaning Tower! It has leaned almost since construction first started, due to the swampy soil beneath it. At a photo stop here, note its striking beauty along with its characteristic tilt. It is the Duomo's (Cathedral) Bell Tower. Together with Baptistry, these are all a part of the Field of Miracles. In the evening proceed for an Orientation/ Walking tour of Florence - view of Florence Cathedral, Ponte Vecchio, Palazzo Vecchio, Piazza Della Signoria, Basilica of Santa Croce and all other major attractions. Overnight in Florence / Pisa.
(Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Indian Dinner).

DAY 11: Florence / Pisa- Rome

After a continental breakfast, proceed to Rome. 'Rome was not built in a day' - the truth of this quoted adage hits you with full force, as we pack in all the 'must see' agenda into our guided panoramic highlight city tour! According to legend, Rome was founded by Romulus and Remus in 753 BC. Start your introduction to Rome with a journey to The Vatican the smallest nation in the world! It boasts a priceless art collection and is probably per square foot the richest country in the world! The most famous square of The Vatican is St. Peter's Square with St. Peter's Basilica, one of the largest churches in the world. Gaze in awe at Michelangelo's Pieta. Continue your tour driving past the triumphal Arch of Constantine, one of the most important commemorative monuments of antiquity and then drive through Piazza Venezia, where the grandiose monument to the reunification of Italy is often referred to as the Marble wedding cake! Pass the Circus Maximus - the Hippodrome - known for its ancient chariot races, which was reconstructed by Hollywood for the well-known movie 'Ben Hur'! Pay tribute to the brave Gladiators of Rome. At this Amphitheatre, the notorious and gory gladiatorial games were held, where they fought one another and wild animals while the crowd roared! Pass the ruins of the Roman Forum and end the tour at the famous Trevi Fountain. Legend has it, that if you make a wish and toss a coin over your left shoulder into the fountain, you are sure to return to Rome! Note: Due to Rome city regulations, certain roads may be off limits for long-distance coaches. This may result in the Rome sightseeing being done partly by foot / public transport. Overnight in Rome. (Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Indian Dinner).



**DAY 12: Return Home with Wonderful Memories**

After breakfast, we will drive you to the airport for your flight back home. It's time to say goodbye to all the new friends you have made. We hope you take back many happy memories of your holiday.

(Continental Breakfast).

Regards

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