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Experience European history from three different angles. In Paris, feel the echoes of the Revolution in the Place de la Concorde. Munich's charming Glockenspiel and cobblestone streets transport you back to the Middle Ages. In between, the spectacular mountain scenery of Lucerne belongs to no particular era; the grandeur and beauty of the Alps is truly timeless.

#### **Everything you get:**

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- Round-trip flights
- Full-time Tour Director
- Comfortable motorcoach; Night train with extension
- 7 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (8 with extension);
   1 night couchette accommodations with extension
- European breakfast and dinner daily
- 2 sightseeing tours led by licensed local guides (4 with extension);
   1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director; 2 walking tours
- Entrance to: Notre Dame Cathedral; Louvre; Neuschwanstein Castle; Dachau; With extension: Salt mines; Checkpoint Charlie Museum

### You can add optional activities to your tour. Additional costs apply.

#### Day 1: Fly overnight to France

#### Day 2: Paris

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport
  Take a walking tour of Paris: Île de la
- Cité; Conciergerie; Sainte-Chapelle – Visit Notre Dame Cathedral

#### Dav 3: Paris

- Take a guided tour of Paris: Place de la Concorde; Champs-Élysées; Arc de Triomphe; Les Invalides; Eiffel Tower
- Optional: Versailles

#### Day 4: Paris

Visit the Louvre

#### Day 5: Lucerne

- Travel through Burgundy to Lucerne

#### Day 6: Lucerne

- Take a tour of Lucerne: Löwendenkmal: Kapellbrücke
- Optional: Mount Pilatus

#### Day 7: Neuschwanstein | Munich

- Make a stop in Liechtenstein
- Travel to Neuschwanstein
- Visit Neuschwanstein Castle
- Continue on to Munich

#### Day 8: Munich

- Take a guided tour of Munich: Olympic Stadium; Residenz; Marienplatz
- Visit Dachau
- Take a walking tour of Munich: Frauenkirche; Neues Rathaus

#### Day 9: Depart for home

#### 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

- Day 9: Salzburg | Night train
- Take a guided tour of Salzburg: Old Town; Residenz; Mozart's birthplace
- Visit the salt mines
- Board a night train to Berlin

#### Day 10: Berlin

- Take a guided tour of Berlin: Brandenburg Gate; Kurfürstendamm; Remains of Berlin Wall
- Visit Checkpoint Charlie Museum

#### Day 11: Depart for home

#### Paris

Bonjour, Paris! During your sightseeing in the City of Light, get a taste of Parisian style as you ride down the Champs-Élysées, an elegant boulevard packed with high-fashion boutiques. Pass the Place de la Concorde and the Arc de Triomphe and strike a pose in front of the Eiffel Tower. At the École Militaire, see where a promising young Napoleon launched his rise to power. I.M. Pei's iconic glass pyramid marks the entrance to the renowned Louvre, home to treasures like Leonardo da Vinci's *Mona Lisa*. Then, travel to the Notre Dame Cathedral and admire its sculptured façade, stained-glass rose windows and seemingly weightless vaulted ceilings.



Louvre Paris, France

#### Lucerne

The majestic Swiss Alps rise behind the shores of Lake Lucerne and provide the stunning backdrop to one of Switzerland's most picturesque cities. You'll see the moving Lion Monument, a sandstone statue commemorating the Swiss Guards slain in the 1792 Paris storming of the Tuileries. Follow Lucerne's winding cobbled streets past fairy-tale houses to the Chapel Bridge. Stroll along this covered bridge, which dates back to medieval days, and admire the colorful murals overhead. You'll have the option to join an excursion that takes you up Mount Pilatus. There, you'll be rewarded with spectacular panoramic views of Lucerne.



**Chapel Bridge** Lucerne, Switzerland

#### Munich

Experience Munich, from the medieval to the modern. Your sightseeing tour will take you past the Olympic Stadium, BMW headquarters, the fashionable Schwabing district and the Residenz, former home of the Wittelsbach dukes of Bavaria. Visit Dachau, a WWII Nazi concentration camp built in 1933 and liberated by the Allies in 1945. It now serves as a memorial museum. A walking tour will take you through the heart of Munich, where medieval trade routes once intersected. In Marienplatz, see the neo-Gothic New City Hall with its famous Glockenspiel. Then continue past the famous Hofbräuhaus, once the royal brewery of the Kingdom of Bavaria.



Frauenkirche Cathedral Munich, Germany

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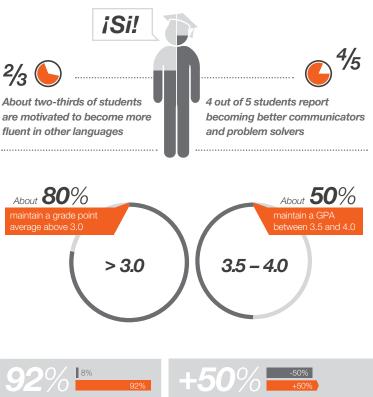
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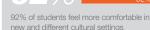
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