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SWITZERLAND & ITALY

10 or 12 days | Switzerland | Italy

In Lucerne, the Swiss folk culture fits perfectly against the backdrop of spectacular Alpine scenery. Down through the Italian Lakes region, nature's beauty continues to amaze, all the way to the picturesque canals of Venice. Further south, humankind's imprint becomes more pronounced, from Florence's Renaissance piazzas to the remains of Ancient Rome.

EVERYTHING YOU GET:

-  **Full-time Tour Director**
-  **Sightseeing:** 4 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (6 with extension); 1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director
-  **Entrances:** Swiss Alps Experience; Doge's Palace; Glass-blowing demonstration; Duomo; Basilica of St. Francis; Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; Colosseum; Roman Forum; with extension: Pompeii Roman Ruins; Capri boat cruise
-  **weShare:** Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.
-   **All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (10 with extension); European breakfast and dinner daily
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Anyone can see the world.

YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your **Tour Director** in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, **weShare**, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. **Expert local guides** will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views of history, art, architecture or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

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– MELISSA, TRAVELER



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Italian Lakes District



Via Instagram

What you'll experience on your tour

Day 1: Fly overnight to Switzerland

Day 2: Zurich | Lucerne

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport.
- Travel to the Lucerne region, where the majestic Swiss Alps rise behind the shores of Lake Lucerne and provide the stunning backdrop to one of Switzerland's most picturesque cities.

Day 3: Lucerne

- Take a tour of Lucerne, where you'll see the poignant Lion Monument, or Löwendenkmal, 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, or Kapellbrücke. Stroll along this covered bridge, which dates back to medieval days, and admire the colorful murals overhead.
- Ride to the top of a Swiss mountain.
- Time to see more of Lucerne or [attend a Swiss folklore evening](#).

Day 4: Venice

- Travel to Venice via the Italian Lakes District.

Day 5: Venice

- Travel to Venice, the Floating City crisscrossed with romantic bridges, laced with history, and boasting some of the world's finest art and architecture. During your stay you will see gondolas glide down the Grand Canal before stopping in St. Mark's Square. Look for the golden weathervane, which resembles archangel Gabriel, atop the 323-foot Campanile (Bell Tower). At the pink-and-white Doge's Palace, see where mighty Venetian dukes once ruled. Stroll over the Bridge of Sighs, which links the palace to a prison. As they crossed the bridge, prisoners supposedly sighed with perfect sadness as they regarded their beautiful city for the last time.
- Take an expert-led tour of Venice: St. Mark's Square; Grand Canal.
- Visit the Doge's Palace.
- See a glass-blowing demonstration.

Days 6-7: Florence

- Travel to Florence, the birthplace of the Italian language, opera and the Renaissance, and where works of art like Michelangelo's statue of *David* and Botticelli's *The Birth of Venus* still reside today. As you stroll through the city, pass by classical statues at the Piazza della Signoria. See the domed cap of the Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral, better known as the Duomo, which dominates the skyline. Opposite the Duomo, look for the bronzed doors of Ghiberti's *Gates of Paradise* at the Baptistery. Walk across the Ponte Vecchio, a Medieval bridge where many of Florence's famed leather and gold artisans keep shop.
- Take an expert-led tour of Florence: Piazza della Signoria; Ponte Vecchio; Chiesa di Santa Croce; Gates of Paradise.
- Visit the Duomo.
- Time to see more of Florence or [visit Pisa](#).

Day 8: Assisi | Rome

- Travel to Assisi.
- Visit the Basilica of St. Francis.
- Continue on to Rome, Italy's capital.

Day 9: Rome

- Take an expert-led tour of Vatican City. Before you say "arrivederci," toss a coin into the Trevi Fountain to ensure a return trip to the Eternal City.
- Visit the Sistine Chapel. Make sure to look up so you can marvel at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling.
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica.
- Take an expert-led tour of Rome.
- Visit the Colosseum, the world's most famous arena.
- Visit the Roman Forum, which marks the former heart of the Roman Empire. Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches there.
- Take a self-guided walking tour of Rome.

Day 10: Depart for home

2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

Day 10: Sorrento region

- Take an expert-led tour of Pompeii.
- Visit the Pompeii Roman Ruins.
- Travel to the Sorrento region.

Day 11: Sorrento region | Rome

- Take an expert-led tour of Capri.
- Take a boat cruise.
- Return to Rome.

Day 12: Depart for home



I can now cross "Walking along the canals of Venice" off my bucket list! #eftours

– JOSEPH, TRAVELER



Via Instagram

We had an amazing tour guide who introduced us to Italy and gave the group a lot of historic information. The kids loved it and wanted to stay longer.

– NATASHA, GROUP LEADER



Tour review

TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY, OR EXPLORE

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

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—CHARLOTTE, DAUGHTER TRAVELED JUNE 2015

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