

For thousands of years, the Mediterranean Sea has played a key role in the development of European culture. See the remains of civilizations that relied on it, from Ancient Rome to Renaissance Florence. When you cross the sea to Spain, you follow the journey of sailors through the ages. In Barcelona, that old history gives way to Gaudí's modern architecture.

### **EVERYTHING YOU GET:**



**Full-time Tour Director** 



**Sightseeing:** 4 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (5 with extension); 2 walking tours (3 with extension)



**Entrances:** Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; Colosseum; Roman Forum; Basilica of St. Francis; Pisa Baptistery; Pisa Cathedral; Park Güell; with extension: Prado; Palacio Real



**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; night ferry; AVE high-speed train with extension; 6 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (8 with extension); 1 night cabin accommodation; European breakfast and dinner daily





# 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.

**@EFtours** I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school **#traveltuesday** 

- MELISSA, TRAVELER





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### What you'll experience on your tour

#### Day 1: Fly overnight to Italy

#### Day 2: Rome

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Rome, a city that integrates its past into the present better than any other.

#### Day 3: Rome

- On your expertly guided tour of the Vatican City, be sure to look out for the colorful uniforms of the Swiss Guard, protectors of the Vatican City.
- Marvel at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling on your visit to the Sistine Chapel.
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica.
- Take an expertly guided tour of Rome.
- Visit the Colosseum, the world's most famous arena where you can almost hear the stamping feet of the crowds gathered for gladiatorial combat.
- Visit the Roman Forum, the former heart of the Roman Empire where Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches.
- Take a self-guided walking tour of Rome.

#### Day 4: Assisi | Florence

- Travel to Assisi.
- Visit the Basilica of St. Francis.
- Continue on to Florence, the birthplace of the Italian language and opera. Florence was the epicenter of the Renaissance movement from the 14th to 16th century, and is the former home of artists like Michelangelo and Botticelli.

#### Day 5: Florence

- On your expertly guided tour of Florence, pass by classical statues at the Piazza della Signoria. Look for the bronzed doors of Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise at the Baptistry. Walk across the Ponte Vecchio, a medieval bridge where many of Florence's famed leather and gold artisans keep shop.
- Enjoy free time in Florence or
  - create a fresco.

#### Day 6: Florence | Night ferry

- Travel via Lucca to Pisa.
- See the Leaning Tower of Pisa.
- Visit the Pisa Baptistery.
- Visit the Pisa Cathedral.
- Travel to Civitavecchia.
- Travel by night ferry to Barcelona.

#### Day 7: Barcelona

- This evening arrive in Barcelona, an art lover's dream city and the place where masters like Miró, Picasso, and Dalí flourished.

#### Day 8: Barcelona

- Explore open-air plazas dotted with avantgarde gems, like the Plaza de Catalunya and Plaza España, on your expertly guided tour of Barcelona. Snap photos of the twisting spires of La Sagrada Familia and the Magic Fountain of Montjuïc, which delights with dazzling light and water shows. From atop Montjuïc Hill enjoy panoramic views of the harbor below. Here you'll also find the 1992 Olympic stadium.
- Marvel at the landscaped greenery and playful Modernist mosaics on your visit to Park Güell.
- Flower vendors and street performers greet you on your walking tour of Barcelona.
- Enjoy a free evening or
- attend a Barcelona flamenco evening.

#### Day 9: Depart for home

#### **© 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION**

#### Days 9-10: Madrid

- Travel by AVE train to Madrid.
- Take a walking tour of Madrid.
- Visit the Prado.
- Take an expertly guided tour of Madrid: Plaza Mayor; Puerta del Sol.
- Visit the Palacio Real.

#### Day 11: Depart for home



Wish we could go back so much! #coliseum #rome #roma #italy #italia #marchbreak #beautiful #amazing #eftours #dreamtrip #missit #iloveitaly

- EMILY, TRAVELER



Just home from Spain and Italy. We had an amazing time. The hotels were nice and the food was delicious. Our Tour Director, Ivan, was the best. Thanks EF for helping us make great memories!!!

- MELODIE, TRAVELER



Via Facebook

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-CHARLOTTE, DAUGHTER TRAVELED JUNE 2015



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