

Consider the Mediterranean Sea's influence on the history—and modern culture—of three interconnected nations. From atop Montjuïc Hill in Barcelona, picture Christopher Columbus sailing into port to tell Queen Isabella I and King Ferdinand V of his voyage to the Americas. In Provence, notice how the lavender perfumes the salty sea air. And along the French Riviera, let the natural beauty and relaxed atmosphere inspire you.

YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



Full-time Tour Director



Sightseeing: 5 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (7 with extension); 2 sightseeing tours led by your Tour Director; 3 walking tours



Entrances: Prado; Palacio Real; Park Güell; Palais des Papes; Pont d'Avignon; Pisa Baptistery; Pisa Cathedral; Basilica of St. Francis; Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; Colosseum; Roman Forum; with extension: Pompeii Roman Ruins; Capri boat cruise



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All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; AVE train; 10 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (12 with extension); European breakfast and dinner daily





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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 Spain

Day 2: Madrid

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Madrid, the capital and largest city in Spain.
- Take a walking tour of Madrid.
- Visit the Prado to behold paintings like
 Velázquez's Las Meninas and Goya's paired canvases.

Day 3: Madrid

- Begin your day with an expertly guided tour of Madrid. Explore Puerta del Sol, the heart of the city, and travel back in time to Spain's Golden Age at Plaza Mayor, where you'll learn about this grand square's history of bullfights, royal weddings, and public executions.
- Get a taste of royal Madrid on your visit to the extravagant Palacio Real, where you'll wander the fabulous palace interior and find more than 2,000 rooms decked in beautiful frescoes, delicate porcelain wares, and finely woven rugs.
- Enjoy a free evening or
 - attend a flamenco evening.

Day 4: Barcelona

 Travel by AVE train from Madrid to Barcelona, an art lover's dream city and the place where masters like Miró, Picasso, and Dalí flourished.

Day 5: Barcelona

- Take an 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.
 Pass Barcelona Cathedral and peddle through
 Barrio Gótico, the city's Gothic Quarter, and
 be swept away the creative spirit and playful
 charm that make this Catalonian capital so
 magical.
- Marvel at the landscaped greenery and playful modernist mosaics on your visit to Park Güell.
- Flower vendors and street performers greet you as you stroll the tree-lined Las Ramblas on a walking tour of the city.

Day 6: Carcassonne | Provence

- Take a tour of Carcassonne.
- Continue on to Provence.

Day 7: Avignon | French Riviera

- Take a tour of Avignon.
- Visit the Palais des Papes.
- Visit the Pont d'Avignon.
- Take a walking tour of Nice or Cannes.

Day 8: Pisa | Florence

- Travel to Pisa.
- See the Leaning Tower of Pisa.
- Visit the Pisa Baptistery.
- Visit the Pisa Cathedral.
- 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 9: Florence

- On your walking tour, pass by classical statues at the Piazza della Signoria and walk across the Ponte Vecchio, a medieval bridge where many of Florence's famed leather and gold artisans keep shop.
- See the Duomo, which features a domed cap that dominates the skyline. Across from the Duomo, look for the bronzed doors of Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise at the Baptistry.

Day 10: Assisi | Rome

- Travel to Assisi.
- Visit the Basilica of St. Francis.
- Continue on to Rome, a city that integrates its past into the present better than any other.

Day 11: Rome

- On your tour of Vatican City, be sure look out for the colorful uniforms of the Swiss Guard, protectors of the Vatican City.
- Marvel at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling during your visit to the Sistine Chapel.
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica.
- Take an expertly guided tour of the world's most famous arena, the Colosseum, where you can almost hear the stamping feet of the crowds gathered for gladiatorial combat. Next, it's the Roman Forum, the former heart of the Roman Empire where Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches.
- Enjoy an evening walk through Rome. Before you say "arrivederci," toss a coin into the Trevi Fountain to ensure a return trip to the Eternal City.

Day 12: Depart for home

© 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

Days 12-14: Pompeii | Capri

- Take an expertly guided tour of Pompeii.
- Take an expertly guided tour of Capri.
- Take a boat cruise.



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- MICHELLE, TRAVELER



My daughter just got home from France & Spain and I cannot say enough good things about her trip! We're already looking forward to picking a trip for next year! THANK YOU EF!

- NICKIE, PARENT



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