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SWITZERLAND, ITALY & FRANCE

11 or 13 days | Switzerland | Italy | France | Monaco

In Switzerland, the jaw-dropping Alpine scenery is the undisputed highlight. Mountain peaks and pristine lakes have shaped the Swiss culture since the beginning of time. In the cities of Italy and on the French Riviera, man-made wonders like the Roman Colosseum, the Florence Duomo, and the Palace of Monaco recall the region's key role in shaping our history.

EVERYTHING YOU GET:

Full-time Tour Director

Sightseeing: 4 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides *(5 with extension)*; 2 sightseeing tours led by your Tour Director; 1 walking tour *(2 with extension)*

Entrances: Doge's Palace; Glass-blowing demonstration; Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; Colosseum; Roman Forum; Pisa Baptistery; Pisa Cathedral; Perfume factory; *With extension: Notre-Dame Cathedral; Louvre*

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; *TGV high-speed train with extension*; 9 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms *(11 with extension)*; European breakfast and dinner daily

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 online learning platform, ***weShare***, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

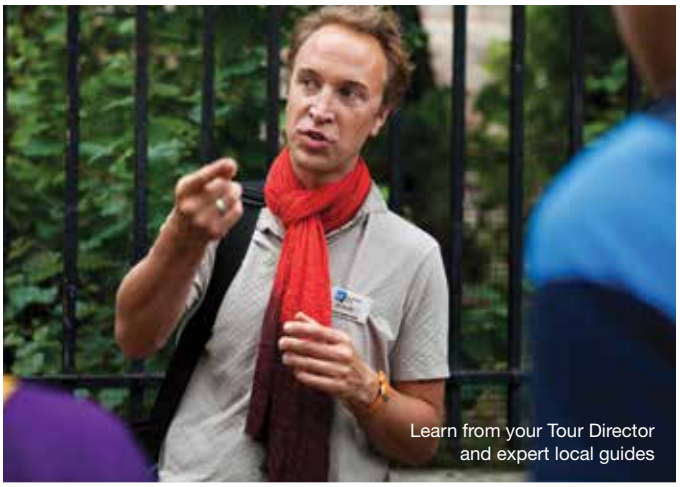
When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. ***Expert 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

Via Twitter


Learn from your Tour Director and expert local guides

Via Instagram

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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 Lucerne, 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. During your stay you'll see the moving 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.

Day 3: Lucerne
– Take a tour of Lucerne: Löwendenkmal; Kapellbrücke.
– Time to see more of Lucerne or
⊕ Swiss Alps experience
⊕ attend a Swiss folklore event.

Day 4: Venice
– Travel through Verona 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.

Day 5: Venice
– Take an expert-led tour of Venice: St. Mark's Square; Grand Canal.
– Visit the Doge's Palace.
– See a glass-blowing demonstration.

Day 6: Rome
– Travel to Rome, a city that integrates its past into the present better than any other. During your stay, explore the world's most famous arena, the Colosseum, where you can almost hear the stamping feet of the crowds gathered for gladiatorial combat. Nearby, the Roman Forum marks the former heart of the Roman Empire. Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches there. On your visit to the Vatican City, marvel at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and look out for the colorful uniforms of the Swiss Guard, protectors of the Vatican City. Before you say "arrivederci," toss a coin into the Trevi Fountain to ensure a return trip to the Eternal City.

Day 7: Rome
– Take an expert-led tour of Vatican City.
– Visit the Sistine Chapel.
– Visit St. Peter's Basilica.
– Take an expert-led tour of Rome.
– Visit the Roman Forum.
– Visit the Colosseum.
– Take a self-guided walking tour of Rome: Trevi Fountain; Pantheon.

Day 8: 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; Duomo.

Day 9: Pisa | French Riviera
– Travel via Pisa.
– See the Leaning Tower of Pisa.
– Visit the Pisa Baptistery.
– Visit the Pisa Cathedral.
– Continue on to the French Riviera.

Day 10: French Riviera
– Visit the principality of Monaco.
– Tour a French perfume factory in Eze.
– Take a walking tour of Nice.

Day 11: Depart for home

⊕ 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

Days 11-12: Paris
– Travel by TGV train to Paris.
– Take an expert-led tour of Paris: Place de la Concorde; Champs-Élysées; Arc de Triomphe; Les Invalides; Eiffel Tower.
– Visit Notre-Dame Cathedral.
– Visit the Louvre.
– Take a walking tour of Paris.

Day 13: Depart for home

I can now cross "Ride a Gondala in Venice" off my bucket list! #eftours

– JOSEPH, TRAVELER

Via Instagram

My favorite European city; Lucerne Switzerland. #switzerland #lucerne #eftours

– ALYSSAA, TRAVELER

Via Instagram

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

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

⊕ Optionals and excursions

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My daughter has gained such an amazing view of the world and history from this experience. She has not stopped talking since I picked her up at the airport. Thank you for all the organization, helpful hints, flexible payment plan and knowledgeable tour guides.

–CHARLOTTE, DAUGHTER TRAVELED JUNE 2014

Tour review

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