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European Sampler



9 days from Amsterdam to Paris

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Like a Lazy Susan generously plated with cured herring, breaded schnitzel, rich fondue, and beef bourguignon, this aptly named European Sampler invites you to sink your teeth into four delectable countries and cultures. Designed to introduce you to the best of Holland, Germany, Switzerland, and France, this 9-day tour of Europe is an awakening for more than just your taste buds. All of your senses will perk up as you leisurely cruise along Amsterdam's bridge-covered canals, dreamily float down the romantic Rhine, and journey through Germany's picturesque Black Forest, Burgundy's rolling green vineyards, and the white-capped peaks of the Swiss Alps. Along the way, you can expect a heaped helping of cities and villages, castles and palaces, and hand-carved cuckoo clocks to enhance your time in the most remarkable regions of

Europe.

PLUS, your tour includes your choice of excursions in Beaune so you can plan your day your way.

Globus All Access

Special Features Included in this Tour:

- Guided Amsterdam canal cruise and Diamond Center visit
- Scenic cruise on the Rhine River scenic cruise
- 🌟 Dinner and beer at the Kulturbrauerei Heidelberg
- 🌟 Woodcarving demonstration in the Black Forest includes a slice of Black Forest Cake
- Photo opportunity at the Rhine Falls
- Walking tour of Lucerne includes the 🌟 Boubaki Panorama, Lion Monument, and Chapel Bridge
- Globus Choice Excursion in Beaune – included in your tour with your choice of an orientation ride around the main landmarks on the "petit train électrique" or a guided visit and wine tasting in a Burgundy wine cellar
- Guided visit to the Palace of Versailles
- Guided sightseeing in Paris includes an orientation drive and a scenic Seine River cruise

[View full itinerary and read more >](#)

Variations of this Tour

Group Size Options

TOUR OVERVIEW

9

DAYS

4

COUNTRIES

🚩 COUNTRIES

Netherlands

Germany

Switzerland

France

🍴 MEALS

Breakfast 8

Dinner 4



You Dream. We Plan.

Globus takes you beyond the guidebooks with more ways to discover each destination.

Local Favorites

Every Globus tour includes our exclusive Local Favorites, specially included to share the authentic experiences that make each destination unique. Get to know the locals and local flavors you might just miss on your own!

Tour Highlights

Discover something unexpected and unforgettable in the special way only Globus can share—with sightseeing highlights to off-the-beaten-path surprises to out-of-this world moments you'll remember for a lifetime!

Enhanced Free Time

Explore or relax as you please, or choose exciting options available at MyGlobus. Get local maps and free time tips on your GlobusGO mobile app. Your Tour Director can suggest the perfect way to design your day!

DAY-BY-DAY

Itinerary

1 ARRIVE IN AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND

Welcome to Amsterdam!

At 6 pm, meet your Tour Director and travel companions for a welcome dinner at your hotel.

 Dinner

2 AMSTERDAM

Holland Days

This morning, meet your Local Guide for a fascinating introduction to Amsterdam. At the pier board a glass-topped boat to admire Amsterdam from a different perspective as you cruise along the elegant, UNESCO-listed grachten (canals). See the most captivating views of "Golden Age" homes, landmark buildings, and charming bridges. Later, visit a Diamond Center to learn why Amsterdam is often called the "diamond capital of the world." Free time this afternoon and evening to explore more.

 Breakfast

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

EPIC RIDE There's nowhere quite like Amsterdam! A vibrant city with an impressive artistic heritage, and a fascinating infrastructure. The city is built on about 11 million wooden poles and criss-crossed by over 165 canals. In addition, it boasts a vast network of cycle lanes frequented by the city's 881 000 bicycles, Amsterdam is so bike-friendly that the bicycles outnumber the residents!

Make the Most of Your Free Time

While we include select excursions and must-see sights on your trip, you may wish to explore other options to enhance your free time. Below is a selection of excursions that may be available for purchase on your tour.

Volendam's Windmills, Cheese & Wooden Shoes with Dutch Dinner

Experience the history, culture, and symbols of Holland on this fascinating excursion into the Dutch countryside. Leave behind the hustle and bustle of Amsterdam and travel to the sleepy old fishing village of Volendam, where...

4h 30m

Price Range: \$\$



3 AMSTERDAM-HEIDELBERG, GERMANY

Tradition on Tap in Heidelberg

Drive across the border into Germany. A real treat awaits with a scenic cruise on the River Rhine, one of Europe's most important rivers, flowing through six countries. Admire castles, vineyards, and charming villages as you sail down the river. On disembarkation, continue your journey to Heidelberg. Take photos of the red-walled castle ruins and 🍷 enjoy dinner with a beer at the Kulturbrauerei Heidelberg restaurant.

329 mi / 530 km

 Breakfast  Dinner

LOCAL FAVORITE

LOCAL TASTES Lift a glass of German beer in Kulturbrauerei Heidelberg brauhaus. Enjoy the famous tastes of Germany in this elegant and rustic beer house where hospitality is served in the heart of the brewery, along with legendary beers – both traditional and modern.

4 HEIDELBERG–BLACK FOREST–RHINE FALLS, SWITZERLAND–LUC...

With Cherries on Top

This morning head to the Black Forest to enjoy some local traditions. Watch a traditional woodcarving demonstration followed by a delicious helping of Kaffee und Schwarzwaldkuchen (coffee and Black Forest Cake). Later, drive over the border into Switzerland and stop to admire the breathtaking Rhine Falls. Continue to Lucerne and join a walking tour to see the city highlights including the 🍷 Bourbaki Panorama, the Lion Monument and the 14th century Chapel Bridge that crosses the River Reuss from the Altstadt (old town).

230 mi / 370 km

 Breakfast  Dinner

LOCAL FAVORITE

CULTURAL GEM A monumental panorama, a piece of European cultural heritage, and a symbol of Switzerland's humanitarian tradition - the Bourbaki Panorama brings together a multitude of stories. It commemorates the internment of 87000 soldiers of the French Bourbaki army, who fled Switzerland in the harsh winter of 1871. Painted by the artist Edouard Castres who personally witnessed the internment as a Red Cross worker and put his feelings on display in a most impressive way in 1881. A true journey back to the time in which Switzerland and its self-image were formed in the service of humanity, tolerance, and human rights.

5 LUCERNE

Sweet Sights of Switzerland

A whole day to do as you please. Explore more on your own and get better acquainted with this alpine gem or join an optional excursion up one of the mighty mountains that surround it.

 Breakfast

ENHANCED FREE TIME

EXPLORE MORE What better way to spend this free day than with an excursion to the top of Mt Pilatus? Ascend via the world's steepest cogwheel railway passing the exquisite alpine meadows and dramatic rock formations. Take in spectacular views of central Switzerland. Feel on top of the world because you are! Send a yodel across the Swiss peaks in the tradition of mountaineers of old.

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Lake Lucerne Cruise

Experience the hypnotic beauty of sparkling Lake Lucerne on this enjoyable 1-hour sightseeing cruise.

1h 30m

Price Range: \$



Mount Pilatus

Grab your camera and prepare for indescribable panoramic views on this thrilling ascent up Mount Pilatus.

3h 0m

Price Range: \$\$



Swiss Folklore

Raise a glass and toast an unforgettable evening of traditional entertainment during this excursion featuring a 3-course feast of local specialties, alphorns, yodeling, and festive Swiss music and dancing.

3h 30m
Price Range: \$\$



6 LUCERNE–BEAUNE, FRANCE

Spend your day your way in Beaune

Leave Switzerland behind as you enter France. En-route to Beaune, enjoy a scenic drive through Burgundy with its vineyards and châteaux. Explore more of Beaune with your choice of included Globus Choice excursions.

All Aboard in Beaune

All aboard the "Petit Train Touristique" for a relaxing orientation ride through the charming medieval town of Beaune. Hear insightful commentary on local landmarks, including the beautifully preserved Hôtel Dieu, the church of Notre-Dame, the Square des Lions, Pont des Oies, and more aboard the little electric train!

Cellar Sips and Savory Bits

They say there are over 100 kilometers of wine cellars beneath Beaune! As the center of the region's wine trade for over 2,000 years, it's no wonder. Go deeper into Burgundy's wine capital with a guided visit to a local wine cellar, with wine tasting and culinary bites. Santé!

Free time this evening.

236 mi / 380 km

 Breakfast

7 BEAUNE–VERSAILLES–PARIS

Château of Kings & Queens

Prepare to be amazed by the opulence when you stop at the Palace of Versailles en route to Paris. Explore the elegant Baroque gardens on your own before meeting your Local Guide or a walk through some of the palace's incredible rooms including the State Apartments and the Hall of Mirrors. Arrive in Paris later this afternoon giving you plenty of time to get acquainted with this iconic city. *

208 mi / 335 km

* For operational reasons, changes to the Paris program cannot be excluded.

 Breakfast

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

LEGENDS SLEPT HERE When it comes to the Palace of Versailles, opulent is an understatement! This converted hunting lodge boasts 2300 rooms adorned in 17th century gilded French décor. Kings, Queens, and Emperors have called it home! Now a world- famous museum that promises its visitors a breathtaking experience.

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A Parisian Evening to Savor

Enjoy a private tasting dinner in Paris, beginning with a comfortable drive and a brief area orientation. Your English-speaking sommelier welcomes you with champagne and guides you through a seasonal three-course...

3h 0m

Price Range: \$\$\$



8 PARIS

C'est Magnifique in the City of Light

This morning, your guided sightseeing is composed of an orientation drive and a scenic cruise on the River Seine with incredible views of celebrated landmarks including Notre Dame Cathedral and the Eiffel Tower. Enjoy free time this afternoon to explore more independently or join an optional excursion. Later, enjoy a farewell dinner at a local restaurant. *

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 Breakfast  Dinner

TOUR HIGHLIGHT

CITY SIGHTS As the song goes, we love Paris in the springtime; we love Paris in the fall - but no matter the season, we fall in love anytime we visit the most romantic city in the world. From the tempting shops of the Champs-Élysées to the irresistible charms of a corner café, your hearts are set on sharing France's captivating City of Light any time you please.

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Lunch and Walking Tour with Notre Dame View

Discover the essence of Paris with a guided walking tour through the Latin Quarter with a memorable stop at the legendary Notre-Dame Cathedral. After the tour, enjoy a classic French lunch at a local bistro.

4h 0m

Price Range: \$\$



9 PARIS

Safe travels until we meet again!

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

 Breakfast

Notes

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YOUR LOCAL EXPERT

Tour Director

With GLOBUS, there's no better way to get to know your destination than through the eyes of a Tour Director. We'd like you to meet one of our Tour Directors, who average over a decade of experience and are representative of the type of expert that will be with you on your vacation.

**CHRIS HEATHERLEY**

Escorting tours for more than 20 years

After a brief foray into teaching, my love of travel coupled with a keen interest in history and languages drew me to the role of Tour Director. I find it immensely satisfying to see each individual traveler come to his or her own understanding of the European scene, whilst enjoying the camaraderie of the group experience. Don't forget, travel is one of the few things you buy that makes you richer, with new experiences, insights, understandings and fresh perspectives. As members of the tour, not only do we discover the traditions of the countries we travel through, yet also we learn more about ourselves and our common humanity.

HAND-PICKED

Hotels

We've vetted and hand-selected the best hotels around the world with location, comfort, and style in mind. Enjoy first-class hotels in each destination, and check in with the confidence that we've already checked everything out for your comfort and convenience.

AMSTERDAM

Westcord Art Hotel Amsterdam

Spaarndammerdijk, 302 Amsterdam Netherlands

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

WestCord Art Hotel Amsterdam is a modern hotel with 195 rooms, located next to the Westerpark and within walking distance of the city center of Amsterdam. The Art Brasserie restaurant features a terrace, and the hotel also offers a seasonal outdoor swimming pool and free high-speed Wi-Fi throughout the property. Each guestroom features a unique piece of art above the bed, adding a creative touch to the stay.

Hotel Amenities

- Business Center
- Laundry Available
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Bar/Lounge
- Elevator
- Concierge Desk
- Free WiFi
- Pool
- Parking/Valet

Room Features

- Coffee Maker
- Desk
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- Window Opens
- Internet Access
- Climate Control
- Disabled Access / Rooms
- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Smoking Rooms
- In-Room Safe
- Wake-Up Calls
- Alarm Clock
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Air Conditioning

HEIDELBERG

NH Heidelberg

Bergheimer Strasse 91 Heidelberg Germany

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

NH Heidelberg is located in the center of Heidelberg, perfect for getting to know one of Germany's most lovely and romantic cities and the Rhine-Neckar Metropolitan Region. Heidelberg is famous for its science and research activities, history, high-profile companies, and elite universities.

Hotel Amenities

- Fitness Room
- Laundry Available
- Free WiFi
- Luggage Storage
- Elevator
- Restaurant On-Site
- Currency Exchange
- Parking/Valet

Room Features

- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- In-Room Safe
- Internet Access
- Air Conditioning
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Smoking Rooms
- Room Service
- Cable/Satellite

Atlantic Hotel Heidelberg

Europaplatz1 Heidelberg Germany

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

This stylish 310 room hotel is located close to Heidelberg's main train station offering easy access to the city's old town. The bright air-conditioned guest rooms have floor-to-ceiling windows, parquet flooring, coffee/tea-making facilities, in-room safety deposit box and a mini fridge. The 15 High Restaurant & Bar on the top floor combines an urban seafood and grill concept with a rooftop bar offering spectacular views of Heidelberg and the region beyond. Other amenities include a spa, wellness center and fitness room. Free Wi-Fi internet access is available throughout the property.

Hotel Amenities

- Fitness Room
- Laundry Available
- Free WiFi
- Gift Shop
- Elevator
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Bar/Lounge

Room Features

- Coffee Maker
- Phone
- Desk
- Television

- Hair Dryer
- In-Room Safe
- Internet Access
- Climate Control
- Air Conditioning
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- Cable/Satellite
- Complimentary Toiletries

LUCERNE

Grand Hotel Europe

Haldenstr. 59 Lucerne Switzerland

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

A classical 19th century 169 room property. This hotel offers a wonderful contrast of old charm with modern interior design and has a beautiful garden to enhance your stay. Wi-Fi access is available throughout the hotel with a fee (payable locally). The main dining room is opulently decorated serving traditional Swiss dishes and there is also a lounge and terrace area with a bar service.

Hotel Amenities

- Business Center
- Laundry Available
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Parking/Valet
- Elevator
- Concierge Desk
- Currency Exchange
- Bar/Lounge


Room Features

- Complimentary Newspaper
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Room Service
- Window Opens
- Cable/Satellite
- Desk
- Television
- In-Room Safe
- Wake-Up Calls
- Internet Access
- Complimentary Toiletries

BEAUNE

Henry II

12/14 Faubourg-St-Nicolas Beaune France

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

Located in the wine region of Burgundy, this 58-room hotel is set in a building designated as an historical monument and features a beautiful garden terrace. All soundproofed guestrooms are individually designed and are equipped with a TV, minibar, and free Wi-Fi access, and private bathrooms that include a hairdryer and complimentary toiletries. Guests can enjoy a drink in the hotel bar after a day of sightseeing whilst local wineries, restaurants, and museums can all be found just a short stroll away from the property.

Hotel Amenities

- Business Center
- Laundry Available
- Free WiFi
- Bar/Lounge
- Elevator
- Concierge Desk
- Luggage Storage

Room Features

- Coffee Maker
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- Cable/Satellite
- Climate Control
- Air Conditioning
- Desk
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- In-Room Safe
- Internet Access
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Complimentary Toiletries

PARIS

Paris Marriott Rive Gauche

17, Blvd St.Jacques Paris France

 SuperiorFirst-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

Located on the Left Bank near to the Latin Quarter and Saint-Germain-des-Pres. The warmly decorated air-conditioned rooms have a mini-fridge, tea and coffee maker, and free Wi-Fi. There is a restaurant, bar / lounge the

serves traditional French cuisine, coffee and cocktails. Other amenities include a gym.

Hotel Amenities

- Business Center
- Elevator
- Concierge Desk
- Free WiFi
- Luggage Storage
- Ice Machine
- Bar/Lounge
- Fitness Room
- Laundry Available
- Restaurant On-Site
- Currency Exchange
- Beauty Salon
- Gift Shop
- Parking/Valet

Room Features

- Complimentary Newspaper
- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Voicemail
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- In-Room Safe
- Internet Access
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Coffee Maker
- Desk
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- Cable/Satellite
- Air Conditioning