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main highlights. Start in Amsterdam with a scenic canal cruise and end in Paris with a guided tour and time on your own. In between, you'll discover Germany, Austria, Italy, and Switzerland. In Amsterdam, Rome, Florence, and Paris, local experts will bring the cities alive, and among other famous sights, you'll see Amsterdam's canals; Piazza Signoria in Florence, renowned for its ornate and famous statues; and St. Peter's Square in Rome, the heart of the Vatican. Other interesting experiences include a boat ride to Venice's St. Mark's Square and a visit to Assisi's Basilica, burial site of St. Francis and home to frescoes by Giotto. It is not just the cities you'll see on this European tour; you'll also see some of Europe's beautiful scenery. A fascinating drive along the Rhine River features quaint towns, castles from the Middle Ages, and villages lining the countryside. Marvel at the gorgeous Swiss Alps. Enjoy the beautiful Tuscany countryside, with its rolling hills, and journey through France's famous vineyards. Overnight in romantic Lake Como, regarded as one of Europe's most picturesque lakes; spend time in Lucerne, nestled between the Alps and the fjord-like lake; and stop in Interlaken, nestled between Lake Thun and Lake Brienz, and surrounded by three mighty mountains. Europe's highlights—including historic monuments, must-see attractions, and scenery—are all available on this splendid, value-minded Europe tour!

All This. Included.

The world is within reach with everything you need for perfectly affordable touring. Cosmos includes hand-selected accommodations, guided sightseeing, and seamless transportation between destinations—with value-minded travel lovers in mind. Explore with expert Cosmos Tour Directors and Local Guides, complimentary headsets, and private, first-class, air-conditioned motorcoach with free Wi-Fi. Enhance your free time to explore like a local with your CosmosGO mobile app!

Special departures:

Departure December 20 New Year's in Paris, includes festive dinner

Your Tour Includes:

- Canal cruise in Amsterdam with Local Guide
- Private canal boat ride in Venice to St. Mark's Square with glass-blowing workshop
- Visit to King Ludwig's Neuschwanstein Castle
- Visit to St. Francis Basilica in Assisi
- Guided sightseeing in Rome, featuring St. Peter's Square
- Guided sightseeing in Paris
- Visit to Beaune
- Scenic mini-train ride to Piazza dei Miracoli, site of the Leaning Tower of Pisa
- Guided walking tour of Florence
- Orientation tour of Lugano & Lucerne
- Orientation tour of Interlaken & Lausanne

Extend your vacation with two nights in London (Tour 4815)

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DAYS

6

COUNTRIES

 COUNTRIES

Netherlands

Austria

Switzerland

Germany

Italy

France

 MEALS

Breakfast 13

Dinner 4



Day 1 Day

Itinerary




1 ARRIVE AMSTERDAM, HOLLAND

Check into your hotel and start exploring this exciting city with your CosmosGo app. Tonight, meet your Tour Director and travel companions.

 Dinner

2 **AMSTERDAM**

Enjoy sightseeing in Amsterdam with a Local Guide pointing out the city highlights, as you discover the city from water level on an included canal cruise. Then, watch the cutting and polishing of precious stones at a diamond center. Enjoy free time in the afternoon to explore on your own or consider joining an optional excursion to discover the famous Dutch windmills and learn about traditional wooden shoes.

 Breakfast

While we include select excursions 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...

5h 0m

Price Range: \$\$



3 **AMSTERDAM-RHINELAND, GERMANY**

Cross the border into Germany for a scenic drive along the River Rhine. Alternatively, enjoy the views from a different perspective with an optional Rhine cruise through the Rhine Gorge, and passing by the Lorelei Rock.

Today's Distance: 236 mi/ 380 km

 Breakfast

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Below is a selection of excursions that may be available for purchase on your tour.

Rhine Gorge Cruise - Castles, Vineyards & the Lorelei

Discover the magic of the Rhine river with its historic villages, beautiful castles and the legendary Lorelei Rock.

2h 0m

Price Range: \$



4 RHINELAND-INNSBRUCK AREA, AUSTRIA

Drive through Baden-Württemberg to the foot of the Alps to see King Ludwig's magnificent Neuschwanstein Castle, Germany's fairytale castle. Carry on into the verdant Austrian Tyrol for an overnight stay.


Today's Distance: 373 mi/ 600 km

 Breakfast  Dinner

5 INNSBRUCK AREA-VENICE AREA, ITALY

Cross the border into Italy to the unique floating city of Venice. This afternoon's orientation includes a boat ride to St. Mark's Square, followed by a visit to a traditional glassblowing workshop. "O sole mio!" sing the gondoliers on an optional gondola ride along the legendary canals. Isn't it romantic!

Today's Distance: 242 mi/ 390 km

 Breakfast  Dinner

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Below is a selection of excursions that may be available for purchase on your tour.

Gondola

When in Rome, do as the Romans -- and when in Venice, head right for the gondolas! Hop aboard a traditional gondola for a ride through the magical Venetian canals

0h 30m
Price Range: \$\$



6 VENICE AREA-ASSISI-ROME

An interesting drive southward, cross the River Po into Emilia-Romagna, then through the gentle Umbrian hills to medieval Assisi, where St. Francis was born in 1182. Visit the world-famous St. Francis Basilica with its beautiful frescoes by Giotto, then head for Rome.

Today's Distance: 376 mi/ 605 km

 Breakfast

7 ROME

The "Eternal City" is steeped in history, vibrantly alive and exciting, and absolutely unique! Start the included introduction to Rome's landmarks from St. Peter's Square with a Local Guide. Enjoy a drive along the iconic landmarks of the city: the Tiber River, the Caius Cestius Pyramid, the Aurelian Walls, and the Caracalla Baths. Complete the experience with a walk back in time from the Circus Maximus to the Arch of Constantine and to the fascinating Colosseum, symbol of the Roman Empire. *

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

 Breakfast

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Jewels of Rome with Aperitif

A walking tour with a local guide to see some of the many treasures of Rome.

3h 0m
Price Range: \$\$



8 ROME-PISA-PISTOIA

Say goodbye to Rome and drive on the Highway of the Sun to Pisa. Hop on a mini train to the Square of Miracles and admire the curious Leaning Tower, a world-renowned photographic subject.

Today's Distance: 255 mi/ 410 km

 Breakfast  Dinner

9 PISTOIA-FLORENCE-LAKE COMO

Arrive in Florence. This Renaissance gem and city of the Medicis will keep you enthralled for a whole day. Don't miss out on the included walking tour with a Local Guide that features most of the city highlights. See the unique Duomo with Giotto's Gothic Bell Tower, the Baptistry's ornate bronze door known as the "Gate of Paradise" and the world-famous Signoria Square. Journey northward through the Tuscan hills and across the Apennines to the shores of romantic Lake Como.

Today's Distance: 261 mi/ 420 km

 Breakfast

10 LAKE COMO-LUGANO, SWITZERLAND-LUCERNE AREA

Leave beautiful Lake Como and cross the border into Switzerland for a stop in the Italian-speaking town of Lugano. Continue north and, once through Gotthard Tunnel, see more magnificent alpine scenery as you reach the shores of Lake Lucerne. Get carried away on an optional excursion first by funicular, then aboard the world's first double-decker, open-top aerial cable car to the summit of Stanserhorn.

Today's Distance: 137 mi/ 220 km

 Breakfast

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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 0m

Price Range: \$\$



Ascent up Mount Stanserhorn

Climb towering Mount Stanserhorn aboard the world's first double-decker, open-top aerial cable car!

3h 0m
Price Range: \$\$



11 LUCERNE AREA-INTERLAKEN-LAUSANNE

Spend some time in beautiful Lucerne. Stroll through the old town and see the distinctive covered wooden bridge (Kapellbrücke) crossing the river Reuss. Later, stop in idyllic Interlaken in the Bernese Oberland and then follow the shoreline of deep blue Lake Thun, continuing for a few more miles to Lausanne, overlooking Lake Geneva.

Today's Distance: 199 mi/ 320 km

 Breakfast

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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: \$



12 LAUSANNE-BEAUNE, FRANCE-PARIS

Enjoy vistas of the celebrated Burgundy vineyards on the way to Beaune. Visit the medieval town, known all over the world for its wine production. Take the autoroute to Paris.

Today's Distance: 345 mi/ 555 km

 Breakfast

13 PARIS

Get to know the city of romance with a local expert and see many of the Parisian sites. *

* Note: for operational reasons, changes to the Paris program cannot be excluded

 Breakfast

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Versailles, Palace of the Sun King

Spend part of your day like a French aristocrat, strolling through the halls and gardens of Louis XIV's opulent Palace of Versailles.

3h 30m
Price Range: \$\$



French Dinner and Discovery Drive


Enjoy a memorable 3-course dinner with wine and a nighttime orientation drive-the perfect way to experience Paris!

4h 30m
Price Range: \$\$



14 PARIS

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning.

 Breakfast

Notes



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

Your Local Expert
Tour Director



With Cosmos, 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. Please note: This may not be your actual tour director on your tour.



PATRICIA SUTRELL

Escorting tours for more than 20 years

Always thirsty for new challenges, my path led me to the role of Tour Director. I love people, enjoy sharing the history and anecdotes of the different places visited on tour. Everyday is different, and this provides me with the motivation to hopefully meet everyone's dream. I do believe that travelling is like a book, if you do not travel you will always remain on the first page. All we need is to open our eyes to the world, and enjoy every moment we have, as life is a journey.

Hand-Picked Hotels



After a day of traveling, you want to relax at a comfortable, clean, and attractive hotel. We select hotels with the best guestrooms (always with a private bathroom), service, and food for the money.

AMSTERDAM

Hampton By Hilton Schipol

Neptunusstraat 1 Hoofddorp Netherlands

Superior Tourist-Class Hotel as shown or similar

WiFi

The hotel is located a 4-minute train journey away from Schiphol Airport and Amsterdam's historical center is 20 minutes away. The facilities include free Wi-Fi, fitness center, and a restaurant serving international cuisine. All guestrooms are air-conditioned and have an LCD TV with international channels, a work desk, tea and coffee making facilities, a pillow menu, and bathrooms fitted with walk-in showers.

Hotel Amenities

- Business Center
- Elevator
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Bar/Lounge
- Fitness Room
- Laundry Available
- Free WiFi
- Ice Machine
- Parking/Valet

Room Features


- Coffee Maker
- Non-Smoking Rooms

- Desk
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- In-Room Safe
- Alarm Clock
- Cable/Satellite
- Climate Control
- Disabled Access / Rooms
- Voicemail
- Television
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Wake-Up Calls
- Internet Access
- Air Conditioning (Seasonal)
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Air Conditioning

KARLSRUHE

Ibis Styles Karlsruhe Ettlingen

Karlsruher Strasse 13-15 Karlsruhe Germany

 Superior Tourist-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

Located in a quiet hamlet close to the Old Town of Ettlingen, this modern, colorful hotel offers a lounge bar where snacks and refreshments can be enjoyed and 102 uniquely designed, stylish guest rooms equipped with air conditioning, flat screen Tv with international channels, and a desk. Free high speed wireless internet access is available throughout the property. Many restaurants, bars, and local shops are within walking distance, while Karlsruhe city center is only a 5-min drive away.

Hotel Amenities

- Elevator
- Luggage Storage
- Free WiFi
- Bar/Lounge


Room Features

- Desk
- Television
- Internet Access
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Cable/Satellite
- Air Conditioning

INNSBRUCK

Alphotel

Bernhard Hoefel St. 16 Innsbruck Austria

 Superior Tourist-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

This cozy modern hotel has a timeless country house style, is fully air-conditioned and features a sauna and Free Wi-Fi access. All guestrooms are equipped with satellite TV, a minibar, and a safe. Austrian and international cuisine and a wide range of drinks

are served in the restaurant and bar. The historic center of the city of Innsbruck can be reached within a few minutes by public transportation and Ambras Castle is just over half a kilometer away.

Hotel Amenities

- Spa Services
- Elevator
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Business Center
- Laundry Available
- Free WiFi
- Bar/Lounge


Room Features

- Desk
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- Room Service
- Cable/Satellite
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- In-Room Safe
- Internet Access
- Climate Control
- Air Conditioning

VENICE

Poppi

Via Romea ,80 Venezia-Gambarare Mira Italy

 Superior Tourist-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

Situated on the Riviera del Brenta and founded in 1965, the hotel is still family run. hotel Poppi offers 100 rooms and a renowned restaurant.

Hotel Amenities

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

Room Features


- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Room Service
- Window Opens
- Desk
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- In-Room Safe
- Wake-Up Calls
- Alarm Clock

- Internet Access
- Climate Control
- Disabled Access / Rooms
- Cable/Satellite
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Air Conditioning

ROME

Ibis Styles Roma Aurelia

Via Andrea Ferrara, 33 Rome Italy

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

Ibis Styles Rome Aurelia with its colorful and joyful style features a restaurant serving healthy local specialties, a bar where happy hour with Italian aperitifs and cocktails can be enjoyed and a cozy garden. All 229 modern guest rooms are functionally equipped including air-conditioning, flat screen TV with international channels and Free high-speed Wi-Fi- internet access. Located in a quite area just a few miles from the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Square & Basilica, a metro station is available within walking distance.

Hotel Amenities

- Elevator
- Free WiFi
- Restaurant On-Site
- Bar/Lounge

Room Features

- Desk
- Television
- Internet Access
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Cable/Satellite
- Air Conditioning

PISTOIA

Villa Cappugi

Via Di Collegliato,45 Pistoia Italy

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

Hotel Villa Cappugi is a charming 4-star hotel nestled in the rolling Tuscan countryside, just a short distance from Pistoia's historic center. This elegant villa offers 70 well-appointed rooms, each featuring modern amenities and a private balcony. Guests can savor delicious Tuscan cuisine at the on-site restaurant, relax by the seasonal swimming pool, or enjoy a drink at the outdoor bar.

Hotel Amenities

- Business Center
- Elevator
- Concierge Desk
- Free WiFi
- Pool
- Bar/Lounge
- Fitness Room
- Laundry Available
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Gift Shop


Room Features

- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- In-Room Safe
- Internet Access
- Climate Control
- Air Conditioning
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- Room Service
- Cable/Satellite
- Complimentary Toiletries

LAKE COMO

B&B Como City Center

Viale Innocenzo XI, 15 Lake Como Italy

 Superior Tourist-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

"The B&B Como City Center is located in the heart of the city, in a strategic position that allows guests to reach both Lake Como and all major attractions such as the Cathedral and the Basilica of Saint Abbondio, in just a few minutes on foot. Each elegantly refurbished guest room is climatized, has an in-room safe, a 40-inch Smart TV with international channels, and is designed to meet all needs of travelers. Free Wi-Fi- internet access is available throughout the property. A shop is available in the lobby, selling drinks, snacks, ready meals, and a selection of ready-made cocktails. "

Hotel Amenities

- Elevator
- Gift Shop
- Free WiFi

Room Features

- Desk
- Television
- Internet Access
- Climate Control
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Cable/Satellite
- Complimentary Toiletries

LUCERNE

Ibis Kriens

Industriestr. 13 Kriens-Luzern Switzerland

 TouristClass Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

Hotel Ibis Kriens is located in Kriens at the foot of the Mount Pilatus. By train you are in 5 minutes in Lucerne city center.

Hotel Amenities

- Elevator
- Luggage Storage
- Parking/Valet
- Free WiFi
- Bar/Lounge

Room Features

- Complimentary Newspaper
- Desk
- Television
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Window Opens
- Internet Access
- Complimentary Toiletries
- Non-Smoking Rooms
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Wake-Up Calls
- Alarm Clock
- Cable/Satellite
- Disabled Access / Rooms

LAUSANNE

Ibis Lausanne Crissier

Chemin De L'Esparcette 4 Lausanne Switzerland

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

This modern property is situated in a lively business district on the northwestern outskirts of Lausanne and has an all-day bar serving snacks and drinks with fresh dishes served in the restaurant. Warm, modern and comfortable guest rooms offer a cozy bed and a functional bathroom.

Hotel Amenities

- Elevator
- Restaurant On-Site
- Luggage Storage
- Laundry Available
- Free WiFi
- Bar/Lounge

Room Features


- Desk
- Television
- Phone
- Hair Dryer

- Internet Access
- Climate Control
- Air Conditioning
- Cable/Satellite
- Complimentary Toiletries

PARIS

Mercure Paris Porte D'Orleans

13, Rue Francois-Ory Paris-Montrouge France

 First-Class Hotel as shown or similar

 WiFi

Located in southern Paris, the hotel has 188 spacious and modern air-conditioned rooms, furnished with a flat-screen TV, minibar, and tea/coffee facilities. At the restaurant the Chef serves traditional French cuisine, and concocts delicious seasonal dishes. The cozy bar offers a variety of drinks and cocktails and snacks. Free Wi-Fi is available. A metro station within walking distance makes the city center easily accessible by public transport.

Hotel Amenities

- Business Center
- Shoe Shine
- Restaurant On-Site
- Currency Exchange
- Gift Shop
- 24 Hour Electricity
- Elevator
- Laundry Available
- Free WiFi
- Luggage Storage
- Bar/Lounge

Room Features

- Coffee Maker
- Phone
- Hair Dryer
- Iron/Ironing Board
- Cable/Satellite
- Air Conditioning
- Desk
- Television
- Mini-Bar
- Internet Access
- Complimentary Toiletries