



9D8N France and Italy Adventure

France • Switzerland • Italy

Language Available – Chinese, English

Day 1, Friday: Singapore – Paris

Upon arrival in Paris, transfer to hotel. Enjoy a leisure day in Paris. Overnight in Paris or a nearby city.

Day 2, Saturday: Paris – Lucerne (680 km) (Breakfast)

In the morning, we will enjoy a scenic journey across classic French countryside en route to mountainous Switzerland. We will pass through Basel, which is located at the point where the Swiss, French and German borders meet, before arriving at the picturesque lakeside city of Lucerne. Admire Lucerne's famous landmarks including the **Chapel Bridge** and the **Water Tower**. Overnight in Lucerne or a nearby city.

Day 3, Sunday: Lucerne – Milan– Venice (530 km) (Breakfast)

In the morning, we visit Lucerne's famous landmarks and take some pictures, before heading south from Lucerne into northern Italy, where our first stop will be Milan, the fashion capital of the world. The tour in Milan will introduce you to the city's iconic sights including the vast **Gothic Cathedral (Duomo)**. We will also see one of the world's oldest shopping malls, **Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II**. Afterwards, we will proceed to another vintage Italian city, Venice. Overnight outside Venice Island or a nearby city.

Day 4, Monday: Venice – Rome (550 km) (Breakfast)

Today, we will first begin with a waterbus ride to **San Marco Island** and along the way seeing distinctive waterside buildings. Once on the island, we will embark on a tour to famous locations, beginning in the Piazza with the **Basilica di San Marco**, a stunning piece of Byzantine architecture. We will also see the legendary **Bridge of Sighs** which connects the old prison to the interrogation rooms in the **Doge's Palace**. Afterwards, we will witness some traditional Venetian craftwork at close quarters with a demonstration by **Murano glassblowers**. You can also choose to take a **gondola ride*** to the **Grand Canal**. In the afternoon, we proceed to Rome. Overnight in Rome or a nearby city.

Day 5, Tuesday: Rome – Vatican – Arezzo (230 km) (Breakfast)

The day starts with a visit to the smallest state in the world, **The Vatican City**, which lies at the heart of the Italian capital. Here you will marvel at **St. Peter's Basilica** which was completed in 1615. Alternatively, you can choose to add on an optional **Sistine Chapel*** tour to view **Michelangelo's famous painted ceiling**. Next, we head to the **Trevi Fountain**, the lavish Baroque showpiece where people flock to throw coins into the water – an action which is said to ensure you will return to the city again one day. After lunch, it is highly recommended for you to take an optional guided tour of the **The Colosseum***, which was built in the year AD72. Afterwards, we proceed to the nearby **Arch of Constantine**, which was originally built as a temple to all gods, but has been a Christian church since the 7th century. This is followed by some free time where you can choose to visit **Basilique Santa Maria degli Angeli e dei Martiri** near **Piazza della Repubblica** or go to Mitsukoshi Department store to get some souvenirs. Then, we proceed in the direction of Florence in the late evening. Overnight in Arezzo or a nearby city.

Day 6, Wednesday: Arezzo – Pisa – Genoa (330 km) (Breakfast)

We begin the day by taking in a wonderful panoramic overview of the city of Florence from **Piazzale Michelangelo**, which boasts glorious vistas over the red roofs, Arno River and ancient city walls out towards



Paris



Basilica di San Marco



St. Peter's Basilica



Leaning Tower of Pisa

the surrounding countryside. Next, we see a demonstration of the traditional craft of leather working in a local workshop. From here, we will enjoy a guided walk around Florence's many highlights, including **Ponte Vecchio over the Arno, Piazza del Duomo and Campanile Tower**. We will also pass **Uffizi Gallery**, one of the finest art galleries in the world. After the tour, we will have free time to roam the streets, shop and relax at street side cafes. Afterwards, we head to Pisa, where many beautiful landmarks are located, including **Leaning Tower of Pisa, Cathedral and the Baptistery**. Overnight in Genoa or a nearby city.

Day 7, Thursday: Genoa – Monaco – Nice – Cannes – Avignon (500 km) (Breakfast)

This morning, we take a breathtaking drive along one of Europe's most famous stretches of Mediterranean coastline as we head towards Monaco. A walking sightseeing tour here takes you to the grand **Prince's Palace**, where we will have some free time, before continuing to view **1920s Courthouse**, the Cliffside **Oceanographic Museum**, and the **Cathedral**, where Grace Kelly is buried. We then travel further to visit the famous **Fragonard Perfume Factory**. Here, we will be taken on a fascinating guided tour around this working factory. Afterwards, we proceed to Nice, where we will stop for lunch to sample some excellent local cuisine and warm-hearted hospitality. Our journey continues to Cannes, where we will stop for photos of the **Palais des Festival**, home to the city's annual international film festival, before transferring to Avignon Nord. Overnight in Avignon or a nearby city.



Fragonard Perfume Factory



Palais des Festival

Day 8, Friday: Avignon – Paris (700 km) (Breakfast)

In the morning, as we head north to Paris, take a rest today as we enjoy great views of the changing rural charms of the French countryside. Overnight in Paris or a nearby city.

Day 9, Saturday: Paris – Singapore (B)

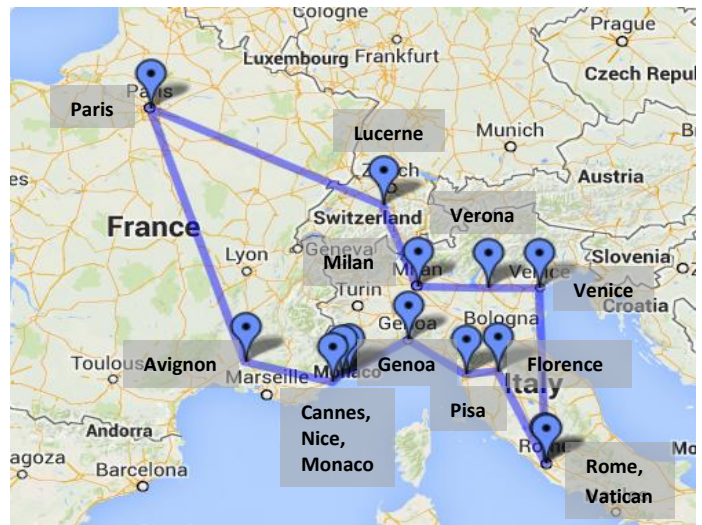
Depart from Paris and board the flight back to Singapore.

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Includes:

- Return airport transfers
- Guided tour with coach
- Daily continental breakfast at hotels (for all other meals, we offer assistance with reservations and directions to local restaurants/cafes)
- 8 nights' accommodation at hotels

*Indicates optional tours (other optional tours are available as well)



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