

# 18 Day Unforgettable Europe Tour with Abu Dhabi or Dubai Stopover & Flights

Rome - Florence - Venice - Verona - Lugano - Zurich - Interlaken - Grindelwald - Lucerne - Bern - Paris - Rouen - Canterbury - London - Colchester - Volendam - Amsterdam - Abu Dhabi - Dubai

From **\$5,299 ★** pp twin share



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## Travel**dream**

## **Description**







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Enjoy an incredible 2-night stopover in Abu Dhabi or Dubai on your return journey, depending on your preferred airline.

Fly with Emirates - Dubai stopover

Fly with Etihad Airways - Abu Dhabi stopover

Your journey starts in Rome, the 'Eternal City' famous for its beautiful artistic heritage. In Florence and Venice, hop on city tours and explore the enchanting history and culture before driving to the home of Romeo and Juliet - Verona. Stroll through 'the city of love' and you make your way to Lake Lugano - a stunning glacial lake shared by Switzerland and Italy.

Next, head over to Zurich, an incredible city surrounded by spectacular high mountains and lakes. Take a stroll through the Interlaken and follow to Grindelwald, also known as "Glacier Village". Hop on a cable car to



Grindelwald First and walk along the footbridge over the empty whilst admiring the panoramic views of glaciers around you. As you drive to Paris, make a stop in Bern and wander around this picture-postcard Swiss capital before ticking off some incredible sights in Paris from your bucket list. Visit the Eiffel Tower, Champs Elysees, Arch of Triumph and so much more! Your European holiday is incomplete without a visit to London. So, make your way to this magnificent city and check out Oxford Street, Tower of London, Piccadilly Square ad more. Next, hop on a ferry to Volendam and head over to your final destination in Europe - Amsterdam.

As your holiday draws close to an end, prepare for the highlight of this tour - your 2-night stopover in the beautiful city of either Abu Dhabi or Dubai.



## **Itinerary**

Day 1

#### Australia **X** Rome

Today depart from either Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth for Rome, Italy! Fly in comfort with either Etihad Airways or Emirates Airline (subject to availability)

Please note: Due to flight scheduling and availability, some customers may be required to depart on day 2, to arrive on day 2.

Meals included: inflight

Day 2

#### Rome

Welcome to Rome! Upon arrival, be met by a representative and transferred to the hotel.

Please note: normal check-in time is 3:00 p.m

In the evening, a transfer will be provided to the Trastevere area. Let this hidden corner of Rome take you away from the crowds and blend into this pretty neighbourhood, stroll in the narrow cobblestone streets, the colourful buildings dripping with ivy, and balconies enlivened with geraniums. Enjoy some typical Italian cuisine and bar hopping (at own expense) before returning to the hotel.

Accommodation: Cristoforo Colombo or similar

Meals included: None

Day 3

#### **Rome City Tour**

Welcome to Rome aka "The Eternal City". Join a fun city tour that includes a visit to Caracalla Baths, Venice Square, Circo Massimo to a name a few. St. Peter's Basilica, one of the holiest temple, dominates over the rooftops of the Eternal City (admission to the Coliseum included). Here, we have an opportunity to learn about ancient society in the Roman Empire. In the evening, being transferred to Via Cavour where tonight we'll dine in alternative local restaurants (own expense). Return to the hotel around 9 pm.

Accommodation: Cristoforo Colombo or similar



#### Rome Florence

A beautiful scenic drive in the morning to Florence. Tips: comfy clothing and shoes as walking involved. Upon arrival, we'll visit Piazzale Michelangelo, where we'll need a camera to pin this amazing view of Florence. Then meet with our local lovely guide for a walking tour. During this time, we'll get to see Duomo, Piazza Della Signoria, Ponte Vecchio, Straw Market, Piazza Republica, Palacio Vecchio etc. This afternoon is yours to discover the beauty and elegance of Florence, a city filled with exquisite galleries, lush gardens and opulent palaces and to continue enjoying a delicious meal (own expense). Return to hotel.

Accommodation: Conference Florencia or similar

Meals included: breakfast

## Day 5

#### Florence Venice

Pass through mountain scenery, cross the Apennine and the Po Valley, we finally arrive at Tronchetto Gate, Venice. Be ready to be fascinated this afternoon with an orientation tour on a boat, accompanied by our travel specialist, who'll be guiding you around St. Mark's Square and into the interior of St. Mark's Basilica (admission included). Calling all art lovers out there, you'll have a chance to visit the Murano Glass Factory to see how glass is made in ancient times. Relax this afternoon to explore the city on your own and dine at Mestre district in the evening (own expense).

Accommodation: Lugano or similar

Meals included: breakfast

## Day 6

## Venice ♠ Verona ♠ Lugano ♠ Zurich

Verona- famous for its appearance in Shakespeare and being the home of Romeo and Juliet. Enjoy a self-guided visit to this delightful town where our tour guide will give you information on the places where you will be able to walk in Romeo and Juliet's city- the city of lovers! Afterwards, we will reach a picturesque village by the Lake Lugarno, this enchanting little town of Morcote was awarded as the nicest village of Switzerland in 2016.

We continue the journey to Switzerland. Very beautiful lakes and mountains with snow-capped peaks line our route. Arrive in Zurich. Free time in the historic centre next to the lake, where you will be able to dine in your chosen restaurant serving Italian, Indian, Chinese, international or Swiss food.

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Zurich Messe or similar



#### Zurich 🖨 Interlaken 🖨 Grindelwald 🖨 Lucerne 🖨 Zurich

Start the day to a hot breakfast whereby today's stage has beautiful landscapes with high mountains and lakes. On a clear day, you may be able to see Jungfrau from the city centre. Take a stroll along Interlaken and follow to Grindelwald, also known as "Glacier Village". Enjoy a quick coffee break before taking an unforgettable cable car ride (ticket included) to the Grindelwald First and walk half an hour along the "footbridge over the empty" whilst absorbing the fantastic scenery of glaciers around us. We will have lunch (included) before continuing to Lucerne, one of the most beautiful cities in Switzerland. After that, we return to Zurich and you will have time to explore your dining option at the city centre (own expense).

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Zurich Messe or similar

Meals included: breakfast and lunch

## Day 8

#### Zurich 🖨 Bern 🖨 Paris

Reminder: Bring your passport with you as you will enter France today.

Depart from Zurich early in the morning and arrive in Bern. Wander around this picture-postcard Swiss capital at your own pace. Later pay a visit to the Federal Council Square, the Cathedral and the Clock Tower alongside Bern's statues and fountains. Leave laid-back air behind and stop for lunch in a service area and continue your journey to Paris. Arrive in Paris at around 9 pm.

Accommodation: Novotel P.D' Italie or similar

Meals included: breakfast

## Day 9

#### **Paris City Tour**

Bonjour! Join a local guide and companions for a lovely city. Broadening your mind by visiting Champs Elysees, Arch of Triumph, Eiffel Tower, Concorde Square...your name it! How exciting it is going to be if you will take the lift to level 2 of the Eiffel Tower! (admission to the second floor included). Afterwards, go on a cruise on the river Seine. Later, indulge in free time to stroll around the "City of Love." At the sunset time, a transfer to "Quartier Latin" where you can enjoy a great atmosphere for dinner. Alert! cuisines here will make your mouth water.

Note: In some occasions, the time of accessing to the Eiffel Tower admission schedule varies in order to ease the long waiting time and optimize your visit.

Accommodation: Novotel P.D' Italie or similar



#### Paris Rouen

Morning, you'll visit the Louvre Museum and later explore the city at your own pace. No plan at all? You can alternatively visit Benlux, one of the most complete and best-known perfumeries in Paris with the tour companions. This evening leave Paris and travel to Normandy's most engaging and historically rich destination, Rouen discovering half-timbered walls and narrow streets. Check-in accommodation in the city.

Accommodation: Ibis Rouen Centre Rive Droite or similar

Meals included: breakfast

## Day 11

#### Rouen 🖨 Canterbury 🖨 London

Reminder: Bring your passport with you as you cross the British border and wear comfy clothing during the crossing. Ideally set your watch back one hour and have some pounds (UK currency) in hands when entering the UK.

After breakfast, take a stroll around the city of Rouen and discover its magnificent cathedral and photograph its ancient streets. Leave Rouen and travel to the north of France. This afternoon take the ferry from the port of Calais to the UK. Sit back and relax, the ferry offers everything you need. Arrive in Canterbury and spend your own time to find attractive in this historic centre. Continue your journey to London and create some memories around Tower Bridge. Dine with a stunning view in London and checking in the hotel.

Accommodation: Premier Inn Wimbledon or similar

Meals included: breakfast

## Day 12

#### London

Morning! Join a local guide for a walking tour to embrace the pomp and pageantry of London. The tour includes a visit to Hyde Park, Oxford St, the City, St Paul's Cathedral, Tower of London, the Thames, Piccadilly Square, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace and ends in the central part of the city (the length of tour depends on time). Later enjoy a bird's-eye view of central London's world-famous landmarks with a ride on the London Eye if time is possible. Before taking a stroll around Leicester Square, China Town and Soho, soak up all lively British vibes and enjoy a traditional British afternoon tea with companions. Return to hotel.

Accommodation: Premier Inn Wimbledon or similar

Meals included: breakfast and traditional afternoon tea



#### London 🖨 Colchester 🏯 Ferry Volendam

After breakfast, we will go to the British Museum, one of the main and oldest museums in the world where we can see relics from cultures all around the globe. You will have some free time afterwards. At around 4 pm you will leave for Colchester known as Britain's oldest recorded town. Free time so why not head to Colchester's Roman Wall which is the oldest and longest surviving town wall in Britain. We will then board a modern ferry in Harwich and take a night voyage in cabins with bathroom.

Important note: The ferry used has a limited number of cabins. Sometimes we may need to change instead of leaving London at 3 pm and taking the railway tunnel under the English Channel and spending the night in Antwerp (Netherlands).

Accommodation: Harwich - Hoek Van Holland Ferry

Meals included: breakfast

## Day 14

#### Volendam Amsterdam

At around 8 am in the morning we reach Holland and we visit Volendam a town northeast of Amsterdam. Volendam is known for its colourful wooden houses and the old fishing boats in its harbour.

After this, you will travel to Amsterdam where we include a panoramic visit to the city to see its narrow canals, the Dam Platz, its official buildings and parks. Here you will also see the technique of cutting diamond (admission included). In the evening, you will be taken to Rembrandtplein, one of the busiest squares in the city with a variety of restaurants.

Accommodation: Park Plaza Amsterdam Airport or similar

Meals included: none

## Day 15

#### Amsterdam **₹** Abu Dhabi or Dubai

After breakfast, make your own way to the airport for your flight to Abu Dhabi/Dubai.

Accommodation:

Abu Dhabi - Ramada by Wyndham Abu Dhabi Downtown or similar

Dubai - Hilton Garden Inn Dubai Mall of The Emirates or similar



#### Abu Dhabi or Dubai

Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure exploring these beautiful Arab cities.

Accommodation:

Abu Dhabi - Ramada by Wyndham Abu Dhabi Downtown or similar

Dubai - Hilton Garden Inn Dubai Mall of The Emirates or similar

Meals included: breakfast

## Day 17

#### Abu Dhabi or Dubai **⊀** Australia

For Abu Dhabi stopover:

After breakfast, begin this thrilling half-day city tour to the notable destinations of Abu Dhabi. Let's head to see the alluring white marble structure that serves as an epitome of splendour and elegance, the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque. The mosque is known as the 'White Pearl of the Gulf' and is the largest in the country and the third-largest mosque in the world. After that, you will also pass by The Corniche, Emirates Palace (Photo Stop), Etihad Towers (Photo Stop)& Qasr Al Watan (Admission included).

Free at leisure in the afternoon and then make your own way to the airport for your homebound flights.

Meals included: breakfast

#### For Dubai stopover:

After breakfast, begin this thrilling half-day city tour to the notable destinations of Abu Dhabi. Let's head to see the alluring white marble structure that serves as an epitome of splendour and elegance, the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque. The mosque is known as the 'White Pearl of the Gulf' and is the largest in the country and the third-largest mosque in the world. After that, you will also pass by Ferrari World (Outside), The Corniche (Photo Stop), Emirates Palace (Photo Stop) & Date Market (Stopover).

Free at leisure in the afternoon and then make your own way to the airport for your homebound flights.



#### Australia

Arrive home today!

\*Please note: some flights may arrive in Australia 1 day later



## **Inclusions & Exclusions**

#### **Inclusions**

- Return Economy Class Airfare from Melbourne, Sydney, Perth, Brisbane and Adelaide
- International flights with Emirates or Etihad Airways (subject to availability).
- Meals as indicated: 14 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 1 traditional afternoon tea
- 13 nights of hotel accommodation on a twin share basis
- 2-night stopover in Abu Dhabi or Dubai based on your preferred airline
- Fly with Emirates for a Dubai stopover
- Fly with Etihad Airways for an Abu Dhabi stopover
- Airport to hotel transfer in Rome
- Air-conditioned coach transportation
- English-speaking tour guides
- Guided sightseeing city tours Rome, Florence, Venice, Paris. London, Amsterdam & Abu Dhabi
- Entrance fee/admission/boat ride mentioned on the itinerary
  - Roman Coliseum (Rome)
  - Cable Car to Grindelwald First (Lucene)
  - Saint Marcos Basilica (Venice)
  - Murano Glass Factory (Venice)
  - Vaporetto along the canals (Venice)
  - Diamond Cutting Workshop (Amsterdam)
  - Eiffel Tower Second Floor (Paris)
  - Boat Trip along River Seine (Paris)
  - Qasr Al Watan (Abu Dhabi)
  - Ferry: France to the UK
  - Harwick to Holland

#### Accommodation

Rome: Cristoforo Colombo or similar Florence: Conference Florencia or similar

Venice: Lugano or similar

Zurich: Holiday Inn Zurich Messe or similar

Paris: Novotel P.D' Italie or similar

Rouen: Ibis Rouen Centre Rive Droite or similar London: Premier Inn Wimbledon or similar

Harwich: Hoek Van Holland (Ferry)

Amsterdam: Park Plaza Amsterdam Airport or similar

Abu Dhabi: Ramada by Wyndham Abu Dhabi Downtown or similar Dubai: Hilton Garden Inn Dubai Mall of The Emirates or similar

## **Group Size**

Maximum of 56 people



#### **Exclusions**

- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary
- Optional gratuities/tipping
- Optional activities/tours/entrance fees
- Personal Expenses
- Travel Insurance (strongly recommended)
- Airport hotel transfers in Amsterdam, Abu Dhabi & Dubai
- Visa(s)/Visa fee

## **Optional Activities**

- Day 2/3 Baroque Rome (Rome, Italy) approx. EUR35 per person
- Day 3 Vatican Museums (Rome, Italy) approx. EUR45 per person
- Day 4 Tuscan Dinner (Florence, Italy) approx. EUR55 per person
- Day 5 Gondola Ride (Venice, Italy) approx. EUR35 per person
- Day 8 Moulin Rouge Show (Paris, France) approx. EUR135 per person

#### **Child Policy**

Children under the age of 12 years are eligible for a \$100 discount. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors are allowed.

## **Shared Room Supplement**

Travelling on your own? Let us match you up with another single traveller of the same gender for \$280. If we are unable to match you up with another traveller of the same gender on the same departure date you will have a room to yourself.

## **Single Supplement**

The additional supplement for a single traveller is \$1400

**Looking to save on the single supplement?** Join our Facebook group - Solo Traveldreamers to connect with other solo travellers or call us on 1300 350 263.

#### **Extra Service**

Looking to arrive early or stay late post-tour? Call on 1300 350 263 or email us at info@traveldream.com.au to inquire.

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