

12 Days

London-Paris-Florence-Rome

Bellerose School



Day-1. **EDMONTON - LONDON:** Flight to London.

Day-2. **LONDON:** Meet Mariden tour director and transfer to the city. Then start with guided tour: See/Visit: the **Tower Bridge**, the **H.M.S. Belfast**, the **Tower of London**, **The Monument** with its massive Doric Columns, **Trafalgar Square**, **St. Paul's Cathedral**, **Houses of Parliament** and **Big Ben**. Then visit **Abbey Road** a legendary street in Westminster known as the place where **Beatles** spend time in nearby studio. Then to your centrally located hotel next to Oxford Street. Later join your leader on walking tour along **Oxford and Regent Street**,

Day-3. **LONDON:** Walk to **Buckingham Palace** to see changing of the guard performed by the Royal Regiment (weather permitting). Later visit the **Imperial War Museum of London**, one of the greatest war museums in Europe. In the afternoon join your leader on walking tour to **Covent Garden** one of the best places to see the young street performers.

Day-4 **LONDON - PARIS:** Transfer to St. Pankras station and board the speedy train for a short channel ride to Paris. Upon arrival start with a guided city tour. See / visit: the **Eiffel Tower**, **Place de la Concorde**, the **Obelisk**, **Notre Dame Cathedral** (inside visit), **Champs Elysees**, **Arc de Triomphe**, **Les Invalides**, **Les Halles**, **Tuilleries Gardens**, **Trocadero** and **Luxembourg Gardens**. Then to your centrally located hotel for check in and refreshment break Later, join your tour director on walking tour to **Basilica Sacre Coeur** and through the narrow streets of **Montmartre**, full of young artists, souvenir shops and Parisian crepe food outlets.

Day-5. **PARIS:** Explore **Île de la Cité**, the cradle of Parisian civilization. Enjoy the inside visit of **Notre Dame** and then along **Pont Neuf**, to see the **Conciergerie Prison** (where **Marie Antoinette** was imprisoned). Later walk to Louvre for visit of one of one of the greatest art museums in the world, At the end of the day take the **elevator to the highest point of Eiffel Tower**.

Day-6. **PARIS - NIGHT TRAIN :** In the morning join your tour director on walking tour to **Latin Quarter**, probably the most authentic area of Paris. Later view famous Sorbone University before we continue with walk along Seine River to Pont d'Alma where you will board the **Bateaux Mouches** cruise along the Seine. Some free time in Paris to visit Les Halles or Galleries Lafayette or Printemps, the main shopping attractions of Paris. Early evening transfer to Gare d' Bercy, and board the night sleeper train to Italy.

Day-7. **FLORENCE:** Arrive in Florence in the morning and join your local guide for walking tour of the world's capital of Renaissance. Visit/see: **Giotto Bell Tower**, the **Baptistry's** bronze doors, **Piazza de lla Signoria**, the **Cathedral**, **Santa Croce**, the **Town Hall**, **La Loggia**, and **Ponte Vecchio**, the **Renaissance Bridge** with some of the best stores in the world. In the afternoon visit **Academia** where you will see Michelangelo's David, probably he most famous sculpture in the world.

Day-8 **TUSCANY - COOKING CLASS:** Travel to **Volterra** to visit farm specialized in the production of organic cheese. Learn about the production and then taste the fresh ricotta, mozzarella and taste bruschetta. Then to Sienna to visit this great medieval town with its **Palio race track** and the **Cathedral**. Later start with cooking class, at **Cuccina di Lela**, led by this famous Italian chef. All dishes prepared will also be tasted during the class. Late return to Florence.

Day-9. **FLORENCE:** Visit **Academia**, the most famous art house in Europe where you will find Michelangelo's David. Later visit **San Lorenzo** open air market, with hundreds of small booths selling typical Florentine leather products. In the evening possible visit to **Space Electronica**.

Day-10. **FLORENCE - ROME:** Travel to Rome. Upon arrival start with guided tour of Ancient Rome and its main sites: **the Colosseum**, (inside visit) **Titus Arch**,

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Constantine's Arch, Foro Romano, Foro Traiano, Victor Emanuel Monument, Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps.

Day-11. **ROME:** Guided tour of the Vatican Museum with: the Greek Cross Room, Candelabra Gallery, Maps Gallery, Raphael's Lodge, Sistine Chapel, with ceilings by Michelangelo and St. Peter's Basilica with Michelangelo's masterpiece, "La Pieta". In the afternoon visit Navona Square and Via Corso, the shopping paradise of Rome.

Day-12. **DEPARTURE**

Price: \$ 3,895

Airport taxes \$ 490*

*based on present fees and could be changed

The price is valid and guaranteed until May 25th, 2011

After this date prices are subject to change based on possible higher airfare or exchange rates.

Price is based on 24+ paid travelers and ratio 1:6

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TWO PER ROOM**

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round trip airfare from Edmonton

9 nights in centrally located hotels

1 night sleeper train

9 English / European buffet breakfasts

9 dinners

guided tour of London, Paris, Florence, Rome and Vatican Museum

Bateaux Mouches cruise

Imperial War Museum, Louvre

Museum, Academia, Vatican Museum,

Colosseum, Foro Romano,

Eiffel Tower elevator

all inclusive insurance

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