



## Overview

### EUROPEAN TREASURES

**Panorama**

**Tour Code - 5191**

**19 days London to London**

**Holland, Germany, Czech Republic, Austria, Slovenia, Italy & France**

All inclusive prices starting at: \$2299

Unlock some of Europe's finest treasures on this fantastic new holiday. Start in London before travelling to Amsterdam and east into Germany to visit Hannover and Berlin. Head towards the Czech Republic for guided sightseeing in Prague and on to the beautiful city of Vienna. Enter Slovenia, for an overnight stay in Ljubljana, a city rich in culture and history. Cross into Italy where highlights include a canal boat ride in Venice, St. Francis' Basilica in Assisi, Rome's Colosseum, the Renaissance city of Florence, and Pisa's Leaning Tower. In France, enjoy the scenic French Riviera, Arles, Avignon, and Lyon, France's gastronomic capital. Head north through Burgundy to Beaune, famous for its fine wines, before finishing your holiday exploring the sights in the grand city of Paris.

#### Meals

Breakfast - 18

Lunch - 0

Dinner - 6

#### Standard Features

SIGHTSEEING: Visits to Hannover, Dresden, Lake Worth, Ljubljana, Venice, Assisi, Pisa, Arles, Avignon, Beaune

SCENIC HIGHLIGHTS: Styria, Italian & French Rivas, Burgundy wine country

GUIDES: Local Guides for city sightseeing in Amsterdam, Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Rome, Florence, Paris

TRANSPORTATION: Round-trip transportation between London and the channel ports; on the Continent, private first-class air-conditioned motorcoach. Cross-Channel ferry; canal transfer boat in Venice

HOTELS: Rooms with private bath or shower, hotel taxes, portage, tips and service charges

MEALS: Buffet breakfasts (B); 7 dinners (D)

OPTIONALS: Choice of optional excursions available at reasonable prices to customise your own experience.

## Itinerary

### EUROPEAN TREASURES

#### Day by Day

Day	Description
<b>1</b>	<b>LONDON - AMSTERDAM AREA, HOLLAND.</b> Leave in the early morning from your London joining hotel and head through the lush English countryside to the Channel port, where you embark on your ferry for the Continent. Meet your tour director and board your luxury coach for the drive to the Amsterdam area.
<b>2</b>	<b>AMSTERDAM AREA</b> Today, watch the cutting and polishing of precious stones at a diamond center in Amsterdam. Then, sightseeing with a Local Guide pointing out the city highlights and a canal cruise to see this unique city from water level. (B,D)
<b>3</b>	<b>AMSTERDAM AREA-HANNOVER,GERMANY-BERLIN</b> Leave the Amsterdam area and head east, passing Enschede and Osnabruck. Stop in Hannover, capital of Lower Saxony. Walk along the streets of the Old Town and admire its beautiful half-timbered houses before continuing to Germany's capital city, Berlin. (B)
<b>4</b>	<b>BERLIN.</b> No longer divided but every bit as fascinating, Berlin was once the city of contrasts with the wall

separating two different worlds. Today the city has developed into a harmonious blend of new and old, preserving its historical buildings and impressive boulevards as it creates brand new buildings in the most daring architectural style. See all of this on the included city sightseeing with a Local Guide. In the afternoon there is an optional excursion to historic Potsdam to visit Sanssouci Park, a marvel of landscape gardening and architectural wonders, and to Cecilienhof Palace. (B)

**5****BERLIN-PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC.**

Cross the River Elbe this morning and on to Dresden for an orientation of the magnificently restored city after its almost total destruction in World War II. Next, on to the mountains and fortresses of the Erzgebirge range before entering the Czech Republic and Bohemia on the way to its beautiful capital, Prague. (B,D)

**6****PRAGUE.**

The wealth of gothic and baroque architecture here must have truly inspired Prague composers Dvorak and Smetana. Included sightseeing with a Local Guide features landmarks such as the National Theatre, Belvedere, Charles Bridge, and the Old Town Hall with its magnificent Astronomical Clock. (B)

**7****PRAGUE-VIENNA, AUSTRIA.**

Today, drive from Bohemia into Moravia and continue southwest before crossing into Austria. Arrive in Vienna in the early afternoon in time for the optional excursion to the jewel of the former Habsburg Empire-breathtaking Schonbrunn Palace with its ornate imperial rooms and its fabulous gardens. Reserve some energy for this evening's optional excursion. (B)

**8****VIENNA.**

Included sightseeing with a Local Guide this morning starts with a tour featuring the State Opera, Parliament, and the Town Hall. Stop for a stroll in Heroes' Square to view the Hofburg Palace, winter residence of the Habsburgs. Finally, an inside visit of St. Stephen's Cathedral. This afternoon, free time to absorb the splendors of this magnificent city. Indulge in a slice of Sachertorte, take a ride in a Fiaker, or just a stroll through the Karntnerstrasse with its boutiques and coffee shops. This evening, music lovers won't want to miss taking in a concert in the "mecca" of classical music. (B)

**9****VIENNA-LJUBLJANA, SLOVENIA.**

South this morning to Semmering Pass, then on through the beautiful Styrian countryside before continuing to Klagenfurt. Skirt Lake Wörther and after Villach through the Karawanken Tunnel, enter Slovenia and head towards stunning Lake Bled for a stop. Next, an overnight in Ljubljana, a city rich in culture and history. (B,D)

**10****LJUBLJANA-VENICE AREA, ITALY**

Continue southwest today, skirting the Adriatic shores, passing the port of Trieste, and on to incomparable Venice. Venice is more like a marvellous film set than a real city, with crisscrossing canals, gondolas and water buses, arched bridges, palaces, and quiet little piazzas. Upon arrival, enjoy the included orientation, which starts with a boat ride and is followed by a visit to St. Mark's Basilica and a chance to watch Venetian glassblowers fashion their delicate objects as they did centuries ago. Don't miss out on the optional gondola trip, gliding along the picturesque canals with a local troubadour to serenade you. (B,D)

**11****VENICE AREA-ROME.**

An interesting drive south, cutting across the Po Delta, passing Ravenna, and through the gentle Umbrian hills to Assisi, where St. Francis was born in 1182. Visit the medieval town and world-famous basilica with its beautiful frescoes by Giotto, then head for the "Eternal City" of Rome. (B)

**12****ROME.**

A city steeped in history, vibrantly alive, exciting, and absolutely unique. Included sightseeing with a Local Guide starts in St. Peter's Square and is followed by a visit to the Roman Forum and the mighty Colosseum, scene of gladiatorial encounters. This afternoon, enjoy one of our popular optional excursions. (B)

**13****ROME-FLORENCE AREA.**

This morning, join the optional excursion to the Vatican, an independent state since 1929 and, of

course, residence of the Pope. See the Vatican Museums and admire Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel. In the late afternoon, head north to Florence. On the included walking tour of the charming Old Town with a Local Guide, cover most of the city highlights: the Piazza Santa Croce, beautiful Piazza Signoria, Palazzo Vecchio and its courtyard, and the Piazza del Duomo with its cathedral, the 'Gate of Paradise,' and the Giotto Campanile. (B,D)

**14****FLORENCE AREA-PISA-FRENCH RIVIERA, FRANCE**

Travel west today through Tuscany, stopping first in Pisa's Square of Miracles to admire the amazing Leaning Tower. Next, head north past Genoa along the Italian Riviera, then cross the border to reach your hotel for two nights on the French Riviera. (B)

**15****FRENCH RIVIERA.**

A whole day to enjoy all the amenities of the French Riviera, and a good opportunity to take advantage of the optional excursions. (B,D)

**16****FRENCH RIVIERA-ARLES-AVIGNON-LYON AREA.**

Take the inland road across sun-drenched Provence and landscapes made famous by Van Gogh. Stop for a short visit in elegant Arles, still brimming with Roman heritage. Later, head for Avignon on the River Rhone, famous for its Roman bridge, massive city walls, and the "Palais des Papes," former residence of the popes. Continue north to Lyon, France's second-largest city. (B,D)

**17****LYON AREA-BEAUNE-PARIS.**

Focus on the picturesque vineyards and fields of Burgundy, and take a break in ancient Beaune. Then, travel on the comfortable highway to Paris, arriving in time to enjoy the spectacular optional cabaret show. (B)

**18****PARIS.**

A full day to enjoy the city that's known throughout the world for its fashion, art and museums, delicious food, and joie de vivre. Included sightseeing with a Local Guide shows you the best-known sights: La Sorbonne, Arc de Triomphe, Opera, Madeleine, the Eiffel Tower, the Pyramid at the Louvre, Les Invalides, and the fabulous Champs-Elysees. Optional excursions are also available to enrich your experience in the "City of Light." To celebrate the success of your tour, don't miss the French farewell dinner party tonight. (B)



**19****PARIS-LONDON, ENGLAND.**

Relax and let the countryside whiz by on the road north to the coast, where you board your Channel ferry. Through Kent, return to London for an evening arrival. (B)



**Dates/Prices**

NB: All prices listed are per person




APRIL 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	7 Apr 2010	25 Apr 2010	Open	\$2399 US	\$3299 US
	21 Apr 2010	9 May 2010	Open	\$2399 US	\$3299 US



MAY 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	5 May 2010	23 May 2010	On Request	\$2459 US	\$3359 US
	19 May 2010	6 Jun 2010	Open	\$2459 US	\$3359 US

JUNE 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	2 Jun 2010	20 Jun 2010	On Request	\$2459 US	\$3359 US
	16 Jun 2010	4 Jul 2010	Open	\$2459 US	\$3359 US
	30 Jun 2010	18 Jul 2010	Not Available	\$2459 US	\$3359 US

## JULY 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	14 Jul 2010	1 Aug 2010	Open	\$2459 US	\$3359 US
	28 Jul 2010	15 Aug 2010	Not Available	\$2399 US	\$3299 US

## AUGUST 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	11 Aug 2010	29 Aug 2010	Open	\$2399 US	\$3299 US
	18 Aug 2010	5 Sep 2010	Open	\$2399 US	\$3299 US
	25 Aug 2010	12 Sep 2010	Open	\$2459 US	\$3359 US

## SEPTEMBER 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	1 Sep 2010	19 Sep 2010	Open	\$2459 US	\$3359 US
	8 Sep 2010	26 Sep 2010	Open	\$2459 US	\$3359 US
	15 Sep 2010	3 Oct 2010	Open	\$2459 US	\$3359 US
	22 Sep 2010	10 Oct 2010	Open	\$2459 US	\$3359 US
	29 Sep 2010	17 Oct 2010	Open	\$2399 US	\$3299 US

## OCTOBER 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	6 Oct 2010	24 Oct 2010	Open	\$2399 US	\$3299 US
	13 Oct 2010	31 Oct 2010	Open	\$2399 US	\$3299 US
	20 Oct 2010	7 Nov 2010	Open	\$2359 US	\$3259 US

## NOVEMBER 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	3 Nov 2010	21 Nov 2010	Open	\$2319 US	\$3219 US
	17 Nov 2010	5 Dec 2010	Open	\$2319 US	\$3219 US

## DECEMBER 2010

	Start Date	End Date	Availability	Twin Share	Single
	18 Dec 2010	5 Jan 2011	Open	\$2299 US	\$3199 US

## ACCOMMODATION PRICES

Pre & Post Tour	City	Start Date	End Date	Single Price	Twin Price	Triple Price
PRE	London	1 Jan 2010	30 Apr 2010	\$154 US	\$92 US	\$87 US
PRE	London	1 May 2010	31 Oct 2010	\$162 US	\$108 US	\$93 US
PRE	London	1 Nov 2010	16 Jan 2011	\$133 US	\$79 US	\$58 US
POST	London	1 Jan 2010	30 Apr 2010	\$154 US	\$92 US	\$87 US
POST	London	1 May 2010	31 Oct 2010	\$162 US	\$108 US	\$93 US
POST	London	1 Nov 2010	16 Jan 2011	\$133 US	\$79 US	\$58 US

## OPTIONAL CHARGES

Type	Name	Price
OPTIONAL	Gratuity	\$160US

**The tours departures marked GD are guaranteed to operate.**

Furthermore, Cosmos guarantees most departures that are still in operation 45 days prior to the published departure date, and at such time will be displayed on this website. Throughout our peak period, 1 May to 15 October, Cosmos guarantee most departures that are still in operation 60 days prior to departure.

PLEASE NOTE: This guarantee does not apply in any situation where the safety of clients is at potential risk (any act of terrorism or war, political unrest, global health warnings or Force Majeure\*\*, etc); or when the operation of a vacation is not possible for reasons beyond our control (such as industrial action/strikes and operational restrictions); to multiple coach departures (i.e. "A" coach) or late cancellation of group parties.

\*\*Force Majeure: French for "act of God; an inevitable, unpredictable act of nature, not dependent on act of man. Used in insurance contracts to refer to acts of nature such as earthquakes or lightning."

**\* Availability**

- **Open** - There is at least one seat available on this departure date and can be confirmed to you via your travel agent at the time of booking. Please note availability may be subject to change and is updated on this website at 24 hour intervals.
- **On Request** - All seats allocated to the Australasian market have been sold for tours that marked on request. However seats MAY still be available from another Cosmos office worldwide. These seats can be requested and normally take 2 business days after a booking has been made to be confirmed.

**Optional Tours**

To help plan your leisure time, as well as your pre-tour budgeting, here is a list of optional excursions that may be offered on this tour. Availability is subject to sufficient participation, weather conditions, seasonal suitability, group interests, and general feasibility for your tour. Please note prices may be based on the previous year and are subject to change. Full terms and conditions are contained in the important travel documents.

Cost	Description
<b>28</b> GBP	<b>Name:</b> MORNING CITY SIGHTSEEING - DAILY <b>Location:</b> LONDON <b>Details:</b> A comprehensive tour in the company of a local guide including St. Paul's Cathedral and the Changing of the Guard (if held). Note: Groups cannot visit St.Paul's on Sundays. Reduced traffic permits more sightseeing and a lower price (#23.00) applies.
<b>35</b> GBP	<b>Name:</b> TOWER OF LONDON AND CROWN JEWELS - AFTERNOONS DAILY <b>Location:</b> LONDON <b>Details:</b> Let your guide bring the 900-year-old Tower Of London to life before you inspect the fabulous Crown Jewels. Afternoons daily.
<b>35</b> GBP	<b>Name:</b> AFTERNOON EXCURSION TO WINDSOR CASTLE - DAILY <b>Location:</b> LONDON <b>Details:</b> Enjoy your guided visit to the Queen's favourite residence, the largest inhabited castle in the world. The highlight is the newly refurbished state rooms.
<b>43</b> GBP	<b>Name:</b> BUCKINGHAM PALACE AND THE ROYAL MEWS - AFTERNOONS DAILY JULY 27 TO SEPTEMBER 29 <b>Location:</b> LONDON <b>Details:</b> First a guided visit to the Royal Mews to see the magnificent gold coach, then admire over 20 grand rooms in the palace used by the Queen for state occasions.
<b>55</b> GBP	<b>Name:</b> A TASTE OF LONDON - DAILY APRIL TO OCTOBER <b>Location:</b> LONDON <b>Details:</b> Ideal for your arrival day, this guided evening excursion includes a tasty four-course dinner with wine at a first class restaurant close to the famous Tower Bridge followed by an illumination cruise on the River Thames taking in many well known landmarks.

15  
EUR

**Name:**VOLENDAM AND ZAANS SCHANS

**Location:**AMSTERDAM

**Details:**Drive to Volendam where you will have free time to enjoy a stroll and view the sights. From Volendam continue to Zaanse Schans, a working open-air museum that demonstrates what life was like in the 17th and 18th centuries. During the afternoon you will also visit a cheese shop and clog maker for a demonstration.

28  
EUR

**Name:**FLOWERFIELDS AND KEUKENHOF PARK

**Location:**AMSTERDAM

**Details:**This tour takes you through Holland's most colourful springtime attractions. See the fields of Tulips, daffodils and hyacinths in bloom. Visit famous Keukenhof Garden Park, an unforgettable sight. This excursion is available from March 25th to May 20th.

20  
EUR

**Name:**AMSTERDAM AT NIGHT

**Location:**AMSTERDAM

**Details:**Enjoy a ride through the nightlife centre; see the pretty illuminated canals during a stroll through the red-light district with your local guide who will explain what might at first seem obvious! Stop for an included drink at a typical Dutch "Brown cafe" to experience real Amsterdam atmosphere. (Not suitable for children).

33  
EUR

**Name:**ZIKO'S GRILL DINNER

**Location:**BERLIN

**Details:**A fun evening at a local restaurant with good food and atmosphere. You will be served a four-course meal with 2 drinks per person and coffee/tea. During the evening musical entertainment you can even dance between the tables!

40  
EUR

**Name:**FAMOUS CITY OF POTSDAM

**Location:**BERLIN

**Details:**Potsdam is famous for its fine palaces and many beautiful historical buildings. Visit the Cecilienhof Palace where Truman, Attlee and Stalin signed the Potsdam agreement in 1945. See magnificent Sanssouci Palace, built by Frederick the Great.

55  
EUR

**Name:**BERLIN NIGHT OUT

**Location:**BERLIN

**Details:**Drive through the illuminated city to the Friedrichstadtpalast Theatre to see one of the biggest and best revue shows in Europe with a drink included during the intermission.

30  
EUR

**Name:**PANORAMA AND KRIZIK'S FOUNTAINS

**Location:**PRAGUE

**Details:**First enjoy a visit to Strahov monastery where you will appreciate a spectacular view over the whole of Prague and the Moldau River. Then continue to a typical Czech pub where you will taste the famous Prague dark beer. You will end your evening at the Krizikova Fountains, a well known outdoor spectacle where the fountains and the sound of the cascading water is synchronised with music and lights.

35  
EUR

**Name:**THE BEST OF MEDIEVAL PRAGUE

**Location:**PRAGUE

**Details:**An afternoon full of history and architectural beauty - an intensive visit of the entire Castle District with entrance to the Royal Palace, St. Vitus Cathedral and the Crypt of the Bohemian Kings. You will also see inside the St. George Basilica. Finally, to Golden Lane where Franz Kafka lived for a short while.

38  
EUR

**Name:**BOAT CRUISE WITH DINNER

**Location:**PRAGUE

**Details:**Marvel at illuminated Prague buildings while cruising along the Vltava River enjoying your buffet dinner with a drink. See Castle Hill, the Charles Bridge and other famous landmarks, and soak up the romantic atmosphere to the sound of live accordion music.

40  
EUR

**Name:**SCHONBRUNN PALACE AND GARDENS

**Location:**VIENNA

**Details:**A guided tour of part of the magnificent palace of Schonbrunn, which was the summer residence of the Austrian Emperors for nearly 150 years. It was built between 1695 and 1749 with

over 100 rooms and beautiful gardens. End the tour with free time in the main gardens.

**42**  
EUR

**Name:**EVENING IN THE VIENNESE WOODS

**Location:**VIENNA

**Details:**A visit to Vienna is incomplete without seeing one of its famous wine villages. Enjoy typical winter's fare and taste Heurigen (new wine). With musicians to entertain you, this is a convivial, and jovial evening.

**40**  
EUR

**Name:**KURSALON WALTZ SHOW

**Location:**VIENNA

**Details:**The Vienna Kursalon was built between 1865 and 1867 in the style of the Italian Renaissance. After two years of restoration the Kursalon sparkles in renewed splendour, inviting audiences to experience the musical pleasures that have thrilled visitors since the famed Promenade Concerts of the Strauss brothers. Enjoy the unique Viennese ambience and partake of this wonderful musical journey through time.

**40**  
EUR

**Name:**GONDOLA SERENADE

**Location:**VENICE

**Details:**This is one of the highlights of any European holiday - a gondola ride through centuries-old canals, under famous arched bridges, and past lavish palaces and quaint piazzas.

**52**  
EUR

**Name:**TREASURES OF ROME BY NIGHT AND DINNER

**Location:**ROME

**Details:**A night tour including some of the city's fountains and majestic squares: Piazza Barberini, Triton Fountain, Via Veneto, Villa Borghese, and Trevi Fountain. Finish the evening with a meal in a typical Roman restaurant with wine and music included.

**38**  
EUR

**Name:**THE CATACOMBS

**Location:**ROME

**Details:**The early Christians created the Catacombs, a network of underground corridors, during centuries of persecution by the Romans. Included visit to St. Paul's Outside the Walls.

**50**  
EUR

**Name:**CASTELLI ROMANI WITH DINNER

**Location:**ROME

**Details:**Drive through the ancient villages in the Alban Hills, a landscape of rare beauty, myths, legends and history. Take pictures of the Pope's summer residence, Castel Gandolfo. Then to Frascati where one of the famous local white wines is included with your dinner in a tavern.

**52**  
EUR

**Name:**VATICAN MUSEUM AND SISTINE CHAPEL

**Location:**ROME

**Details:**A tour around the Vatican museums to admire the beautiful tapestry gallery and the Sistine Chapel with masterpieces by Botticelli and Signorelli. See the "Genesis" and Michelangelo's "Last Judgement".

**15**  
EUR

**Name:**EXCURSION TO ST.PAUL DE VENCE

**Location:**NICE

**Details:**See lovely landscapes on your drive to St. Paul de Vence, a medieval Provençal village set on a spur, surrounded by well-preserved ramparts. Enjoy the serene setting of this picturesque spot made famous by artists such as Matisse, Chagall, Picasso, and Miro.

**33**  
EUR

**Name:**MONTECARLO BY NIGHT DRINK ONLY - CHAUMIER

**Location:**NICE

**Details:**A beautiful drive along the French Riviera - arriving in the Principality of Monaco see the Cathedral and the Royal Palace. Stop for a drink at "Le Cafe de Paris" giving you the opportunity to absorb the jet-set atmosphere of Monaco. Afterwards time to gamble\* at the famous Casino or just relax and enjoy the elegant ambience. \*Personal ID required and formal dress code (but not evening wear) recommended. Minimum age limit to enter the Casino 21 years.

**52**  
EUR

**Name:**MONTECARLO BY NIGHT WITH DINNER - CHAUMIER

**Location:**NICE

**Details:**A beautiful drive along the French Riviera - arriving in the Principality of Monaco, where you

will have a delicious French dinner. After dinner see the Cathedral and the Royal Palace. Then stop for a drink at "Le Cafe de Paris" giving you the opportunity to absorb the jet-set atmosphere of Monaco. Afterwards time to gamble\* at the famous Casino or just relax and enjoy the elegant ambience. \*Personal ID required and formal dress code (but not evening wear) recommended. Minimum age limit to enter the Casino 21 years.

**38**  
EUR

**Name:**THE LOUVRE AND ITS MASTERPIECES

**Location:**PARIS

**Details:**Once a royal palace and now a museum housing one of the most famous art collections in the world, the Louvre is yours on a guided tour. The Louvre Museum is open every day except Tuesdays and bank holidays. On these days, you will be offered alternative sights.

**65**  
EUR

**Name:**CABARET SHOW

**Location:**PARIS

**Details:**A trip to Paris is not complete without a visit to a typical cabaret show. A magical evening, either at the Nouvelle Eve situated in the heart of Pigalle or at the Paradis Latin built in 1889 by Gustave Eiffel or at the Lido de Paris located on the famous Champs Elysees. A glass of champagne is served during the show.

**70**  
EUR

**Name:**VERSAILLES - SUN KING'S PALACE (SAT-SUN)

**Location:**PARIS

**Details:**Week-ends visit > Historic Versailles is the beautiful restored palace of Louis XIV, the Sun King. After the guided tour of the palace, you can stroll in the magnificent terraced gardens with their fountains and statues. The Palace of Versailles is open every day except Mondays and bank holidays. On these days, you will be offered alternative sights.

**57**  
EUR

**Name:**FAREWELL DINNER AND MONTMARTRE

**Location:**PARIS

**Details:**Start the evening with a visit to Montmartre, the heart of Bohemian Paris, with time to see the Sacre-Coeur Church. After a panoramic view of the city, enjoy a memorable four-course dinner with an aperitif and wine.

## Tour Map

