

- Highlights: 5 Countries –Paris, Venice, Florence, Rome & the Lucerne Region
- 10 Nights 11 Days (13 Days including travel days)
- Full detailed itinerary will be provided once hotels are booked end of September 2024

### **DAY 1 – Departure from Perth Airport**

Your journey to the continent begins today. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers.

# Day 2 - Arrival in Paris. (2 nights)

Arriving in Paris, you'll have time to explore the 'City of Lights' on your own. The French capital glows bright both day and night, but consider an Optional Experience on the Seine this evening to make your introduction even more special. **Stay:** Novotel Porte d'Orléans or hotel Mercure Paris La Defence. Hotel to be confirmed (TBC) for 2 nights. (B, D)

# **DAY 3 - Paris Sightseeing & Free time (Breakfast included)**

After breakfast, we will head to view The Champs-Elysees, The Arc De Triomphe. Eiffel Tower.

Free time in the noon (sit in the park with some wine/cheese, explore the heights of Mont Martre etc).



Tonight, colorful Can-Can Girls show (optional) OR Explore the winding streets, art galleries and lively artists Square of Montmartre with a local specialist. Return to our hotel (B)

# DAY 4 - Paris - Lucerne Region (Breakfast & Dinner included) (1 night)

After breakfast depart from hotel to head through vineyards and valleys as you journey to Lucerne where a brief orientation will see you view the 14th century Chapel Bridge spanning the Reuss River. Visit the poignant Lion Monument, hewn from rock to remember the brave Swiss guards who died defending King Louis XVI during the French Revolution. Shopping time for some Swiss souvenirs. Overnight at Hotel Ibis (TBC)

# DAY 5 - Lucerne Region - Venice (Breakfast included) (1 Night)

After breakfast you will be journeying via the scenic St. Gotthard Pass into Italy viewing the soul-stirring landscapes of the Italian lakes stretch ahead as you venture into Venice. There's no better way to see the sights than gliding gracefully through its canals on a gondola – An optional experience that captures the essence of Venice like no other. Overnight stay at LH Sirio Venice (TBC).

# DAY 6 - Venice Orientation - Florence (Breakfast & Dinner included) (1 Night)



After breakfast cruise by private launch to St. Marks Square and view the city's iconic sights, including St. Mark's Basilica, the Doge's Palace and Piazza San

Marco. Capture the historic panorama which Napoleon once called "the drawing room of Europe". You will see craftsmen engaged in the centuries old glass blowing craft experience. Consider an opportunity to visit the colorful fisherman's island of Burano before heading to Florence. Overnight at Starhotels Vespucci (TBC)

## **DAY 7 - Florence to Rome (Breakfast included) (2 Nights)**

Discover Florence's Renaissance heritage. Wander the enchanting streets and see the iconic sights. Trevi Fountain; marvel at the ancient Pantheon and discover hidden corners of the Eternal city. Explore the treasures left behind by the Medici dynasty and famous artists like Da Vinci and Michaelangelo during an orientation tour which includes a visit to Santa Croce Square, where some of the most famous sons of the Renaissance are buried before departing to Rome.

# **DAY 8 – Rome free time (Breakfast included)**

There's no better way to see Rome than to dive right in, which is what you'll do when you meet your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour that begins in Vatican City. The dome of St. Peter's Basilica looms over the expansive St. Peter's Square – the impressive backdrop for time spent learning about the world's smallest country. See Michelangelo's mournful Pietà up close and consider an Optional Experience that will reveal the artistry and heritage of the famous Sistine Chapel and Vatican Museums. Continue to Ancient Rome,



to view the mighty Colosseum, followed by time to explore on your own or perhaps join a light-hearted evening of Italian flavors

#### **Day 9 - Venice - Florence**

Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square. All the main attractions are within walking distance of the Piazza so you'll have easy access to view the famous Byzantine Basilica of St. Mark. Spend your time wandering the calle of Venice before we visit a glassblowing workshop, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Watch talented master craftsmen at work, engaged in the same craft as their ancestors from centuries ago. Witness them crafting the beautiful glass creations that are characteristic of Venice.

Travel to Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance. Enjoy the evening exploring the city.

**Accommodation**: 4\* hotel in Florence

**Meals:** Breakfast

# **Day 10 - Florence to Rome**

Alongside your Local Specialist, you'll wander the enchanting streets of the city and soak in must-visit sights including Ponte Vecchio, Mercato del Porcellino and Piazza Della Signoria. Take in the Duomo, Florence's spectacularly designed cathedral.

Onwards to Rome – The Eternal city. Embark on an orientation drive past some of Rome's iconic monuments and some unexpected highlights, including the Colosseum and Circus Maximus which was once the site of



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exhilarating chariot races which attracted thousands of enthusiastic spectators.

**Accommodation**: 4\* hotel in Rome. Name of hotel To be confirmed (TBC)

**Meals:** Breakfast

#### Day 11 -Rome

Highlight today is a visit to the Vatican City with a Local Expert. The dome of St. Peter's Basilica looms over the expansive St. Peter's Square – the impressive backdrop for time spent learning about the world's smallest country. Entrance to the Vatican Museum and Sistine chapel is included, to see

Michelangelo's mournful Pietà up close. Continue to St Peter's Basilica to admire the grandeur of one of the most significant churches in the world.

This afternoon, Sightseeing the local way. With a leisurely passeggiata through the backstreets, where a local Specialist will explain about modern life lived in these places today. Toss a coin into the spectacular Trevi Fountain, see the Pantheon, the best-preserved monument from the Roman period, and enjoy free time to do as the Romans do.

This evening, join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner & toast to an unforgettable holiday.

**Accommodation**: 4\* hotel in Rome

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Day 12 Departure



Your tour ends with 1 group transfer from the hotel to the airport.

#### **Day 13- Arrival into Perth Airport**

#### INCLUSIONS

- An expert Travel Director and professional Driver escorts
- Many meals and daily breakfasts included
- City orientation tours
- Audio headsets provided throughout your holiday to enhance your included sightseeing experiences
- Luxury air-conditioned coach with Wi-Fi in most countries
- Ferry fee where required
- Guide fee included
- Extensive variety of Choice Optional Experiences
- On occasion, hotels of similar standard and location may be utilized

#### **EXCLUSIONS:**

- Return Airfare
- Travel Insurance
- Porterage Service fee