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11 DAYS EUROPEAN HORIZON (London to London, SUMMER (2023)

Price \$2,635





** 11 days, 7 countries - 5 nights in Hostels, 2 nights in Hotels, 2 nights in Special Stays - Meals 10 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners Short on time but want to fit in the best of Europe's icons? Broaden your horizons without compromising on the sightseeing. In 11 days we'll journey through 8 countries and fit in plenty of favourites, including Germany, Amsterdam, France & the Swiss Alps. We'll visit the canals & gable houses of Amsterdam, see the Eiffel tower lit up in a Paris by Night, jet through the canal highways of Venice in a private boat, and enjoy legendary Special Stays at our Austrian Gasthof and French Chateau. The European Horizon is proof that adventures don't have to be epic in length to be epic in scope.

Itinerary



DAY 1

LONDON TO AMSTERDAM

London

11-days of heart pounding adventure kick off today. Meet up with your Contiki posse & share notes on London town before hitting the road to Amsterdam.

Dover

Shortly before we find our ferry for France, we'll be taking in the English coastline beauty of the White Cliffs of Dover. They owe their gorgeousness to their composition of chalk - you're learning and we haven't even left the UK! Calais Off the ferry we arrive in the port town of Calais – French soil! We travel north via Belgium before reaching ... Amsterdam!

Amsterdam

Tonight, the famed for fun Amsterdam is ours to explore following an optional evening canal cruise. An undisguised Red Light District & plenty of bars are there for the curious.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner **Hotel:** Via Hostel Amsterdam (or similar) Included Experiences Marvel at the White Cliffs of Dover.



DAY 2

AMSTERDAM TO RHINE VALLEY

Amsterdam

Now it's time to pour some sunlight on the agenda & take in the beauty of canals, crooked buildings, obscure museums & a café culture like no other.

Free Time Add-ons

Highlights of Amsterdam Canal Cruise

Floating down Amsterdam's canals by night is the perfect way to finish off your trip. Cruise past historic buildings & the eye-opening Red Light District. The cruise gives you a different take on one of Europe's hottest creative capitals!

€ 23

Free Time Add-ons

Rhine Valley Wine Tasting

In the historic setting of an underground candle-lit cellar, get the low-down on the region's reputation as a leading white wine producer. Try out local wines as you sip on some Riesling & the exclusive ice wine, a specialty of the area.

€9

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Sankt Goar

After the scenic journey of fairy tale castles, vineyards and valleys, you'll be charmed before we even arrive in Germany's famous Rhine Valley. This back-in-time town is our wine tasting host for the evening. Squeal!!!

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner **Hotel:** Montag Sankt Goar (or similar) Twin Rooms Included Experiences See the River Rhine



DAY 3

RHINE VALLEY TO MUNICH

Sankt Goar

Too much grape juice last night? Not to w

Munich

Today our eyes will be treated to a famous Glockenspiel, a charming old town & a traditional Bavarian culture. But first, take up the option to explore the side streets and English Gardens by bicycle.

Meals: Breakfast Hotel: Wombat's Hostel (or similar)

Included Experiences See Lorelei Rock



DAY 4

MUNICH TO AUSTRIAN TYROL

Munich

Goodbye Munich, hello mountains. We're hitting the road in search of lands so sweet they made The Sound of Music.

Hopfgarten im Brixental

This part of the world is famous for adventure sports, so best put your name next to the optional White Water Rafting andget in the spirit of things. Next up, Contiki's very own Austrian Gasthof (guest house) is waiting for us with open arms. Before we swing into action with a themed party, Get outside and explore the dreamy setting we've descended upon, or opt for tandem paragliding for those thrill seekers among us.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner Hotel: Contiki Haus Schoneck (or similar)



DAY 5

AUSTRIAN TYROL TO VENICE

Hopfgarten im Brixental

Wake up roamers, we have a bountiful breakfast and a floating city in Italy to tend to. Life's tough!

Venice

You'll think you've seen enough beauty for one day after taking in the Central Austrian Alps & the Brenner Pass en route to Italy. And then we'll arrive in Venice & your jaw will hit the floor over hidden lanes, story book bridges & a private canal boat ride.

Meals: Breakfast, **Hotel:** Riviera dei Dogi (or similar) Included Experiences Cruise on a Motoscafo to Venice



DAY 6

VENICE TO SWISS ALPS

Venice

Arrivederci, Venice! You've been splendid. And now we're off to the Swiss Alps - the splendor just doesn't stop.

Swiss Alp



Free Time Add-ons

Mike's Bike Tour Explore Munich like a true Bavarian & join us on a guided bike tour when you cycle past the famous sights as your Local Guide explains the fascinating history of the city. The perfect way to see a lot in a short time.

€ 23

Free Time Add-ons

Austrian White Water Rafting Time for action in the Tyrol's monumental mountains!

Have a blast on the River Inn's rapids in an adrenaline pumping ride. Follow the river 's surging course under the watch of professional Local Guides. Don't worry: if you can swim, you're in — & before you hit the alpine waters, you'll be fully kitted out with wetsuits & safety helmets.

€ 50

Austrian Paragliding

Take off from the side of a mountain & soar over this stunning region in an adrenaline-pumping tandem paraglide. Flying with an experienced, professional pilot also gives you a chance to grab some great photos on the way! All you need for this adventure is some warm clothing & walking shoes.

€ 134

Free Time Add-ons

Gondolas Sit back & watch the city open up from the canals in a gondola. From magnificent palazzi looming in the distance to the locals' laundry strung across the backwaters, Venice's charm gets you at every turn.

€ 26

Venetian Dinner

Feast on some authentic Venetian food in a busy local eatery. Start your culinary journey with traditional antipasto before moving on to a huge variety of regional specialties. Sweeten the experience with something a little 'dolce' for dessert.

€ 40

the sun sets, so tonight we'll have a chance to check out the local nightlife and foodie scene.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner Hotel: Youth Hostel Interlaken (or similar)



DAY 7

SWISS ALPS. Swiss Alps

Open the window of your room & drink in the incredible view - if you can find words or photos that do it justice, we applaud you! Feel free to explore this classic European adventure town.

Meals: Breakfast Hotel: Youth Hostel Interlaken (or similar)

DAY8

SWISS ALPS TO BEAUJOLAIS WINE REGION

Swiss Alps

Out with the altitude, into France for a brand new day and a brand new country. Beaujolais Wine Region Rolling into the Beaujolais region of France amidst vineyards, we'll arrive at Contiki's very own 16th century Château. This might just be our most decadent accommodation yet, complete with newly-renovated bedrooms & bathrooms, an on-site nightclub, artwork in every room, a games room, and a powder room for makeup and hair. And we haven't even shown you the pool or the gardens yet! Tonight we'll start off with an included dinner and wine tasting here at the Château, because, when in France...

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner Hotel: Chateau de Cruix (or similar) Included Experiences: Taste wine at the château.

DAY 9

BEAUJOLAIS WINE REGION TO PARIS

Beaujolais Wine Region

Wake yourself up with some morning yoga on the Chateau's lawn, survey the garden and give those limbs a good stretch before we pack up for Paris today.

Lamp-lit bridges, a sparkling Eiffel Tower, & evening coffee haunts, tonight we fall in love with everything Paris. After an included dinner at the hotel, our Trip Manager will fill us in on the city's secrets with a dreamy night-time tour of the 'city of lights', passing the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, the Louvre, the Champs-Élysées, and Notre Dame Cathedral.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner Hotel: Jo & Joe (or similar) Included Experiences Take a guided yoga session on the Château lawns A twilight tour of Paris.

DAY 10

PARIS

Pastries, paintings, perfume - Paris is yours! We'll take you to the glamorous Fragonard perfumery, then the time is yours to roam tree-lined quarters, see Notre Dame Cathedral, or get arty in the galleries of the Louvre. It's our last night together - make it count with an optional Parisian Dinner followed by a cabaret show!

Meals: Breakfast Hotel: Jo & Joe (or similar)

Free Time Add-ons

Parisian Farewell Dinner Finish off your trip with a night to remember right in the heart of Paris. This typical French bistro dishes up a three-course meal & some local wine plus loads of atmosphere & is the perfect place to toast your trip before you say farewell to your travel buddies. €38

Nouvelle Eve Cabaret Show

Get your glad rags on... it's time for a night out at the Parisian cabaret. From your lamp-lit table, you'll feast your eyes on a succession of feathers, sequins, can-can girls, acrobats, and comedians – sipping on delicious French champagne all the while.

DAY 11

PARIS TO LONDON

Paris: Soak up your last dose of Paris and feel the astonishment of how much you've seen. And how close you've grown to your loved-up Contiki collective.

Calais - Dover - Londor

What a journey, on arrival in London say a fond farewell to the group as you wrap up the journey on arrival.

Meals: Breakfast

INCLUDED

SEE THE RIVER RHINE

CRUISE ON A MOTOSCAFO TO VENICE

TASTE WINE AT THE CHÂTEAU

Take in the breath-taking scenery of the River Rhine.

Speed across the lagoon to the aqueous island of Venice. Get total lames Bond vibes. Read more Be a VIP at the epic Contiki Château and fill up on a banquet of classic French dishes and wines. Ooh la la! Read more

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