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Mezquita Cathedral, Cordoba

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The road less traveled. Here at Sceptre Tours that's not just a line from a poem — it's a way of seeing, of being in, the world. A lifestyle, a wheelhouse, a mantra to inspire. Because at Sceptre we're always seeking wonder, chasing awe, and finding ways to access that less-traveled road so we can share the experience with you. The highest quality, the grandest standards, the totally immersive vacation built to your exact specifications: Sceptre makes your travel dreams an amazing reality. And now we're going beyond your dreams, offering our most exciting and satisfying vacation component ever.

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THE BEST-LAID PLANS BEGIN WITH A TRAVEL AGENT

Travel has so many lessons to teach. The first and most important one? Put your plans in the hands of an expert. At Sceptre Tours we believe that traveling the world broadens the mind, uplifts the soul, and always works better when a competent travel agent is the wind beneath your wings.

**GUIDED TOURS FROM SCEPTRE:
ARE YOU READY FOR YOUR CLOSE UP?**

Far from the crowd or right in the thick of things: the world awaits, and we have wonderful ways to see it. Small groups (maximum 18 passengers), custom mini-coaches, expert tour leaders, and charming hotels — plus tours that bring you exactly where you want to go: up close and personal.

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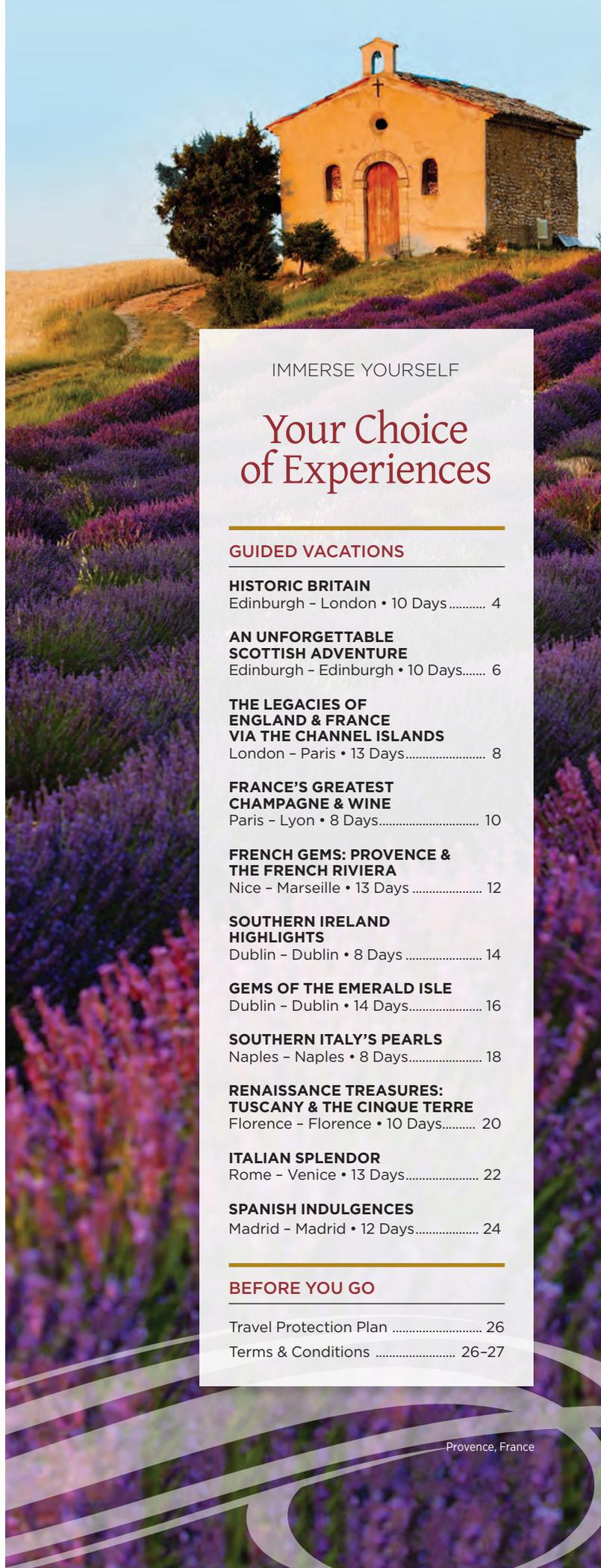
Sceptre’s new guided tours can show you faraway lands you’ve dreamed about, from an exciting new perspective. Learn to make *tapas* in Seville and pasta in Tuscany; sunbathe in St-Paul-de-Vence, the artsy little jewel of the Riviera, or on the pristine beaches of Sark in the Channel Islands. Sceptre knows you want to do more than just tour a country — we help you immerse yourself, to let go, to savor the richness of culture and the beauty all around.

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TOUR IN COMFORT AND STYLE in a Mercedes Benz Sprinter mini-coach (or similar), converted to the highest of European standards, with many boasting leather seats, and panoramic windows and roofs.



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Historic Britain

EDINBURGH TO LONDON • 10 DAYS

The history of Britain unfolds on a tour that brings you right into the majestic grandeur of the little island that once ruled the world. See the castles and countryside, the manors and villages of bright and beautiful Britain.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Lindisfarne Priory
- Alnwick Castle & Gardens
- UNESCO World Heritage Site: Durham Cathedral
- Captain Cook Museum
- Chatsworth House
- Blue John Cavern
- Peak District National Park
- Lincoln Cathedral
- Sandringham Estate
- River Cam ride on a traditional punt
- Newmarket National Stud
- Lunch where Jamie Oliver grew up and worked
- Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Edinburgh and London
- 9 nights accommodation
- Full English breakfast daily (B); three dinners (D); and one lunch (L)
- Services of a professional Tour Leader
- Transportation by private mini-coach with air conditioning
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ACCOMMODATIONS as Listed or Similar:

NIGHTS	CITY	ACCOMMODATION
1	EDINBURGH	THE PLACE
1	ALNWICK	THE HOGS HEAD HOTEL
1	WHITBY	THE MALLYAN SPOUT HOTEL
2	THE PEAK DISTRICT	THE RUTLAND ARMS HOTEL
1	LINCOLN	THE WHITE HART HOTEL
2	CAMBRIDGE	THE GONVILLE HOTEL
1	LONDON	THE GRANGE WELLINGTON HOTEL



King's College, Cambridge

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Durham Cathedral

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - EDINBURGH

Welcome to the Scottish capital! Upon arrival you will be met by your private transfer and taken to your hotel. The rest of the day is yours to explore at your own pace.

DAY 2 | EDINBURGH - BERWICK-UPON-TWEED - LINDISFARNE - ALNWICK

From Edinburgh we'll travel south to Berwick-upon-Tweed, England's most dramatic walled town. Next is the Holy Island of Lindisfarne, which is reached by causeway at low tide. At Lindisfarne Priory, marvel at the ornate carvings on the ruins of the monastic buildings. Later, explore Alnwick Castle, home to the 12th Duke of Northumberland, and the film location for Harry Potter's Hogwarts. (B, D)

DAY 3 | ALNWICK - DURHAM - STAITHES - WHITBY

This morning we visit Durham Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Built in the 11th century, it is the largest and finest example of Norman architecture in England. After stopping in Staithes, we continue to Whitby where we'll visit the museum chronicling Captain Cook's training as a seaman before his epic voyages of discovery. (B)

DAY 4 | WHITBY - NORTH YORKSHIRE MOORS - YORK - PEAK DISTRICT

Leaving Whitby and driving through the North Yorkshire Moors, we make our way to York, the historic capital of northern England. After a guided walk to become more familiar with York, you will have time to discover this fascinating walled city on your own. Later we travel into the Peak District National Park. (B)

DAY 5 | PEAK DISTRICT - CHATSWORTH HOUSE - BLUE JOHN CAVERN - PEAK DISTRICT

The Peak District is rich in history and is home to some of England's finest scenery. Stunning Chatsworth House is the perfect place for a morning stroll, and the Blue John Cavern provides a fascinating network of caves to explore. Blue John is Britain's rarest mineral, and is found in only one location in the world — the Peak District National Park. (B, D)

DAY 6 | PEAK DISTRICT - LINCOLN

Today is dedicated to Lincoln. After visiting the Cathedral Quarter to see the iconic towers of Lincoln Cathedral, Ellis Mill, Jew's House and Lincoln Castle, the rest of the day is yours at leisure. (B)

DAY 7 | LINCOLN - STAMFORD - SANDRINGHAM - CAMBRIDGE

Described by Sir Walter Scott as "the finest stone town in England," Stamford has over 600 listed buildings. We will see many sights including the Arts Centre; built in 1768, it is one of the oldest provincial theaters in England. In Sandringham, visit the estate that is now the private Norfolk retreat of Her Majesty The Queen and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh. Upon arrival to Cambridge we'll enjoy dinner together. (B, D)

DAY 8 | CAMBRIDGE

This morning we take in the beauty of Cambridge University while drifting along the River Cam on a traditional punt. The rest of the day is yours to explore, but it's recommended that you visit the Round Church, one of four round churches in Britain, or explore the Cambridge University Botanic Garden, one of the city's secret delights. (B)

DAY 9 | CAMBRIDGE - NEWMARKET - CLAVERING - LONDON

At the Newmarket National Stud we'll see behind the scenes of a working thoroughbred stud farm. Continue to The Cricketers at Clavering — a 16th century English country inn where Jamie Oliver grew up and worked in the kitchen. After lunch we visit Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge in Epping Forest, before heading back to London. (B, L)

DAY 10 | LONDON - DEPARTURE Your British journey comes to an end today. You will be met at your hotel and transferred to the airport for your flight home.

MAKE IT YOUR OWN: This tour can combine with any of these tours: **A British Escape**; **The Legacies of England & France Via the Channel Islands**; and/or **An Unforgettable Scottish Adventure**, for a broader experience.





Portree, Isle of Skye

An Unforgettable Scottish Adventure

EDINBURGH TO EDINBURGH • 10 DAYS

Scotland is at once rugged and ethereal, with traditions of loyalty, rebellion and honor. Trace its true colors in a unique tour that showcases the natural beauty of the land and lets you explore battlefields, castles, lochs, mountains and more.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Cawdor Castle
- Clava Cairns
- Culloden Museum
- Scottish Kiltmaker Visitor Centre
- Old Man of Storr on the Isle of Skye
- Traditional Scottish whisky tasting
- Iona Abbey
- Duart Castle
- Stirling Castle

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Edinburgh
- 9 nights accommodation
- Full Scottish breakfast daily (B); four dinners (D); and one seafood lunch (L)
- Ferries to Mull and Iona
- Services of a professional Tour Leader
- Transportation by private mini-coach with air conditioning
- All local taxes, hotel service charges and portorage for one suitcase per person

ACCOMMODATIONS as Listed or Similar:

NIGHTS	CITY	ACCOMMODATION
1	EDINBURGH	THE PLACE
1	BALLATER	THE DEESIDE INN
2	INVERNESS	THE WATERSIDE HOTEL
2	ISLE OF SKYE	THE EILEAN IARMAIN HOTEL
2	ISLE OF MULL	THE WESTERN ISLES HOTEL
1	EDINBURGH	THE PLACE



Cairngorms National Park, Scotland

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - EDINBURGH

Welcome to Scotland! A private transfer will take you to your hotel and you'll have the rest of the day to explore at your leisure.

DAY 2 | EDINBURGH - ST ANDREWS - BALLATER

From Edinburgh we will travel to the charming fishing villages of the East Neuk area in Scotland. Continue to St Andrews, whose medieval center, with its narrow alleys and cobblestone streets, leads to the cathedral ruins and the adjacent church of St Regulus. Later we travel north towards the picturesque Victorian village of Ballater where we'll enjoy our first dinner together. (B, D)

DAY 3 | BALLATER - CAWDOR CASTLE - CULLODEN - INVERNESS

We travel through the Cairngorms National Park to Cawdor Castle, a superb fairy-tale castle from the 14th century. Next, we continue to Clava Cairns, an exceptionally preserved prehistoric burial site, built about 4,000 years ago. At Culloden, we visit the museum which brings the famous battle that took place here vividly to life. Inverness, the capital of the Highlands, is our final destination. (B, D)

DAY 4 | INVERNESS

After a leisurely start to the day we take a stroll through Inverness. At the Scottish Kiltmaker Visitor Centre, learn the history of tartan throughout the centuries and see the Highland dress worn by Liam Neeson in "Rob Roy" and Mel Gibson in "Braveheart." The rest of the day is yours to explore independently. (B)

DAY 5 | INVERNESS - LOCH NESS - PLOCKTON - ISLE OF SKYE

Today we travel to the beautifully mysterious Loch Ness, the largest body of fresh water in Britain and famous for "Nessie," the legendary Loch Ness Monster. In Wester Ross we visit Plockton, a village comprised of neatly painted cottages and a tiny harbor, before enjoying a seafood lunch in the Kyle of Lochalsh. The day ends with a drive to the stunning Isle of Skye. (B, L)

DAY 6 | ISLE OF SKYE

Today is devoted to the Isle of Skye, renowned for its incredible scenery, complete with geological features including the extraordinary Quiraing, the Kilt Rock and the spectacular Old Man of Storr. Throughout the day we will also find time to visit Portree and enjoy some traditional Scottish whisky as well. (B, D)

DAY 7 | ISLE OF SKYE - FORT WILLIAM - ISLE OF MULL

Traveling along the sands of Mallaig and Morar we pass through glorious Scottish Highland scenery and see Ben Nevis, Britain's highest mountain. We will visit the village of Glenfinnan where "Bonnie Prince Charlie" raised his standard in 1745. Our journey will take us through the back roads of Fort William before taking a ferry to the Isle of Mull, the second largest island of the Inner Hebrides. (B)

DAY 8 | ISLE OF MULL & ISLE OF IONA

Today the village of Fionnphort will show us its famous red granite before the ferry to Iona will take us to the Iona Abbey and Nunnery, one of Scotland's most sacred sites. Return to the Isle of Mull to explore the 13th century Duart Castle, perched on a cliff overlooking the coast. (B, D)

DAY 9 | ISLE OF MULL - STIRLING - EDINBURGH

A short ferry ride will take us back to the Scottish mainland. We'll drive to Stirling, famous for the Wars of Independence that were fought and won here. There will be time to stroll through the old town and enter the cliff-top Stirling Castle before the tour ends and you return to Edinburgh. (B)

DAY 10 | EDINBURGH - DEPARTURE

Explore Edinburgh independently before your private transfer to the airport, for your return flight home.

MAKE IT YOUR OWN: This tour can combine with either of these tours: **Scottish Delights with Carolyn Robb, Historic Britain,** and/or **Majestic Scottish Highlands & Orkney Islands,** for a broader experience.

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Cawdor Castle and Gardens





Jersey, The Channel Islands

The Legacies of England & France Via The Channel Islands

LONDON TO PARIS • 13 DAYS

Follow history’s winding trail from London to Paris, on a route that takes in the current Queen’s residence, a Neolithic burial mound, and the charming beaches and villages of the Channel Islands – plus the best of coastal Normandy and Brittany.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Travel through the Channel Islands
- Windsor Castle
- Sausmarez Manor
- German Occupation Museum
- German Military Underground Hospital
- Conversation with Nazi Occupation survivor Molly Bihet
- Elizabeth Castle
- La Hougue Bie
- Mont Orgueil Castle
- Château de St Malo
- Château de Fougères

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in London and Paris
- 12 nights accommodation
- Breakfast daily (B); four dinners (D); and one lunch (L)
- Ferries to Guernsey, Sark, Jersey and St Malo
- Services of a professional Tour Leader
- Transportation by private mini-coach with air conditioning
- All local taxes, hotel service charges and portrage for one suitcase per person

ACCOMMODATIONS as Listed or Similar:

NIGHTS	CITY	ACCOMMODATION
1	LONDON	THE GRANGE WELLINGTON HOTEL
1	DORSET	THE ACORN INN
2	GUERNSEY	THE DUKE OF RICHMOND HOTEL
3	JERSEY	THE GREENHILLS COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL
3	ST MALO	THE HOTEL OCEANIA
1	LAVAL	THE HÔTEL PÉRIER DU BIGNON
1	PARIS	HOTEL LA DEMEURE





Breton architectural style houses in old quarter of Dinan

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - LONDON Welcome to London! A private transfer will take you to your hotel and you'll have the rest of the day to explore at your leisure.

DAY 2 | LONDON - WINDSOR CASTLE - WINCHESTER - DORSET The first stop will be the royal Windsor Castle — the world's largest occupied castle and the official residence of the Queen. Next, we'll travel to Winchester and visit Winchester Cathedral, an impressive piece of architecture. Spend the night in the Dorset countryside and enjoy a welcome dinner. (B, D)

DAY 3 | DORSET - GUERNSEY Today we travel via ferry to the island of Guernsey. Discover its beautiful seafront marina or wander its narrow cobbled streets. Later we'll have a private tour of Sausmarez Manor, which has come a long way since the 13th century, with major changes occurring during Tudor, Queen Anne, Regency and Victorian times. (B)

DAY 4 | SARK Start the day with a ferry ride to Sark, a charming island in the English Channel. Sark is one of the only places in the world where cars are prohibited from the roads. You will see only horse-drawn carriages and tractors on the roads of this Dark Sky Community. (B)

DAY 5 | GUERNSEY - JERSEY Guernsey was occupied by Germany from 1940 to 1945, and we'll have the opportunity to explore this time in history with a visit to the German Occupation Museum and a meeting with Molly Bihet. Molly was just nine years old when the Nazis arrived, and she'll re-count stories of what life was like during this difficult time. (B, D)

DAY 6 | JERSEY Move on to Jersey today and explore Elizabeth Castle, which has defended Jersey for more than 400 years. You may choose to continue learning about this island with a visit to the Maritime Museum or the Jersey Museum. Enjoy an evening at leisure in St Aubin village, a picturesque fishing harbor. (B)

DAY 7 | JERSEY Our second day in Jersey will lead us to La Hougue Bie, one of the greatest Neolithic passages in Western Europe. We will learn about what life here was like 6,000 years ago, see ancient treasures

in the museum, and explore the 600 year old Mont Orgueil Castle. Lastly, you'll enjoy some free time in Gorey Harbor before dinner. (B, D)

DAY 8 | JERSEY - DINAN - ST MALO Relax on a ferry ride to France today. We will drive to medieval Dinan, a city complete with cobblestoned streets, half-timbered houses and fabulous French restaurants. Finish the day in the old walled city of St Malo where we'll stay for three nights. (B, L)

DAY 9 | ST MALO Take a walking tour of this historic walled city and learn its secrets: piracy, colonialism, the slave trade and the German Occupation in WWII. Then the day is yours to enjoy the atmospheric beauty and famous tidal surges. (B)

DAY 10 | ST MALO - MONT ST-MICHEL - ST MALO Today, we wind our way along the Normandy coast towards the rocky islet of Mont St-Michel. We enjoy a full day here to wander its narrow streets and visit the magnificent gothic-style abbey, which was built between the 11th and the 16th centuries. (B)

DAY 11 | ST MALO - FOUGÈRES - LAVAL First on today's agenda is the enchanting Château de Fougères, which tells a delightful story about its history and the famous Marches of Brittany. Next, we'll visit one of the prettiest villages in France, Sainte Suzanne, followed by a farewell dinner. (B, D)

DAY 12 | LAVAL - CHARTRES - PARIS We will visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Cathedral of Chartres — a gorgeous example of Gothic architecture. With 12th and 13th century stained-glass windows and stunning stonework, this is an impressive last tour before you transfer back to Paris for your last night. (B)

DAY 13 | PARIS - DEPARTURE Explore beautiful Paris independently before your private transfer to the airport for your return flight home.

MAKE IT YOUR OWN: This tour can combine with either of these tours: **England's Countryside & Beyond** and/or **France's Greatest Champagne & Wine**, for a broader experience.

The Legacies of England & France Via The Channel Islands

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Windsor Castle





France's Greatest Champagne & Wine

PARIS TO LYON • 8 DAYS

Vineyards in Burgundy

Cork-popping, heart-stopping beauty and charm — France's fabled wine regions are even more amazing when you see them up close. Learn what goes into the world's finest wines, sample the vineyard's bounty, and see some the region's most celebrated beauty spots.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- UNESCO World Heritage Site: Cathedral of Our Lady in Reims
- Behind-the-scenes visit to a vineyard in Champagne
- Champagne tasting in Champagne
- Wine tasting in Chablis
- Walking tour of the vineyards in Beaune
- Wine tasting in Beaune
- The Hôtel-Dieu (The Hospices de Beaune)
- Tain l'Hermitage
- Wine tasting in the Rhone Valley
- Dinner in a traditional "Bouchon Lyonnais"

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Paris and Lyon
- 7 nights accommodation
- European breakfast daily (B) and three dinners (D)
- Services of a professional Tour Leader
- Transportation by private mini-coach with air conditioning
- All local taxes, hotel service charges and portorage for one suitcase per person

ACCOMMODATIONS as Listed or Similar:

NIGHTS	CITY	ACCOMMODATION
1	PARIS	HOTEL LA DEMEURE
2	AY	THE HOTEL CASTEL JEANSON
2	BEAUNE	THE HOTEL BELLE EPOQUE
2	LYON	THE GRAND HOTEL DES TERREAUX



Reims Cathedral

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - PARIS Welcome to Paris! A private transfer will take you to your hotel and you'll have the rest of the day to explore at your leisure.

DAY 2 | PARIS - REIMS - AY Our tour departs Paris this morning for the drive to Reims, the Champagne region's main city. During WWI most of the medieval city was destroyed and rebuilt in the 1920s in an art deco style. Fortunately, the wonderful Cathedral of Our Lady remains and is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Before traveling to Ay we will visit a traditional, family-run Champagne house and learn how this bubbly wine is produced. We finish the visit with a Champagne tasting. This evening includes a welcome dinner in Ay, a modest town in the Champagne Ardenne region. (B, D)

DAY 3 | CHAMPAGNE We will explore the famous region of Champagne in depth today. First, we'll stop in Epernay, the "Capital of Champagne." A drive to La Côte des Blancs will lead us to a small Champagne producer where we will peruse the vineyards and have a local expert tell us about the local products before we enjoy a glass or two of this iconic beverage. This afternoon we take a leisurely drive through the Montagne de Reims, known for its pinot noir, before returning to Ay for the evening. (B)

DAY 4 | AY - CHABLIS - BEAUNE Today we travel south to Chablis, one of the most famous white wine regions in the world where we visit a traditional wine cellar. Then, we're off to Beaune, which is considered to be the "Capital of Burgundy wines." Nestled between prestigious vineyards, this ancient town is filled with local shops, wineries and the fabulous French bistros. The group will enjoy dinner together in one of Beaune's many quality restaurants. (B, D)

DAY 5 | BEAUNE This morning, walk through the vineyards of Beaune with a local expert to learn the history of this celebrated wine region and savor a wine tasting in a

local cellar. This afternoon, we explore the town of Beaune and enjoy a guided tour of the Hôtel-Dieu (Hospices de Beaune.) The rest of the day is at leisure to stroll through the cobblestone streets lined with excellent eateries at your own pace, to marvel at the beautiful medieval half-timbered houses and sample local produce and fine wines. (B)

DAY 6 | BEAUNE - LYON From Beaune we travel along the beautiful Route des Vins to the medieval village of Brancion before continuing to the town of Paray-le-Monial on the River Bourbince. Here we'll see the Romanesque basilica and admire the Renaissance-style town hall. Driving south, we'll stop at some charming, quaint villages before reaching Lyon, the gourmet capital of France. You're free to spend the evening wandering through the city center and soaking up the lively atmosphere. (B)

DAY 7 | LYON - RHONE VALLEY - LYON This morning we explore the Rhone Valley where the vineyards are some of the oldest in France. We stop in Tain l'Hermitage, home of the famous Hermitage wines, to enjoy a private tasting session at the Maison Chapoutier, where the sommelier will explain the differences between their refreshing Saint Peray and aromatic Hermitage Rouge. We drive to Tournon-sur-Rhone to admire its historic center and the pedestrian chain-bridge. Continuing north, our final stop is at a well-respected Condrieu wine producer. Our final dinner is in a traditional Bouchon Lyonnais. (B, D)

DAY 8 | LYON - DEPARTURE Our tour finishes after breakfast. Soak up your last moments in France before your private transfer takes you to the airport for your return flight home. (B)

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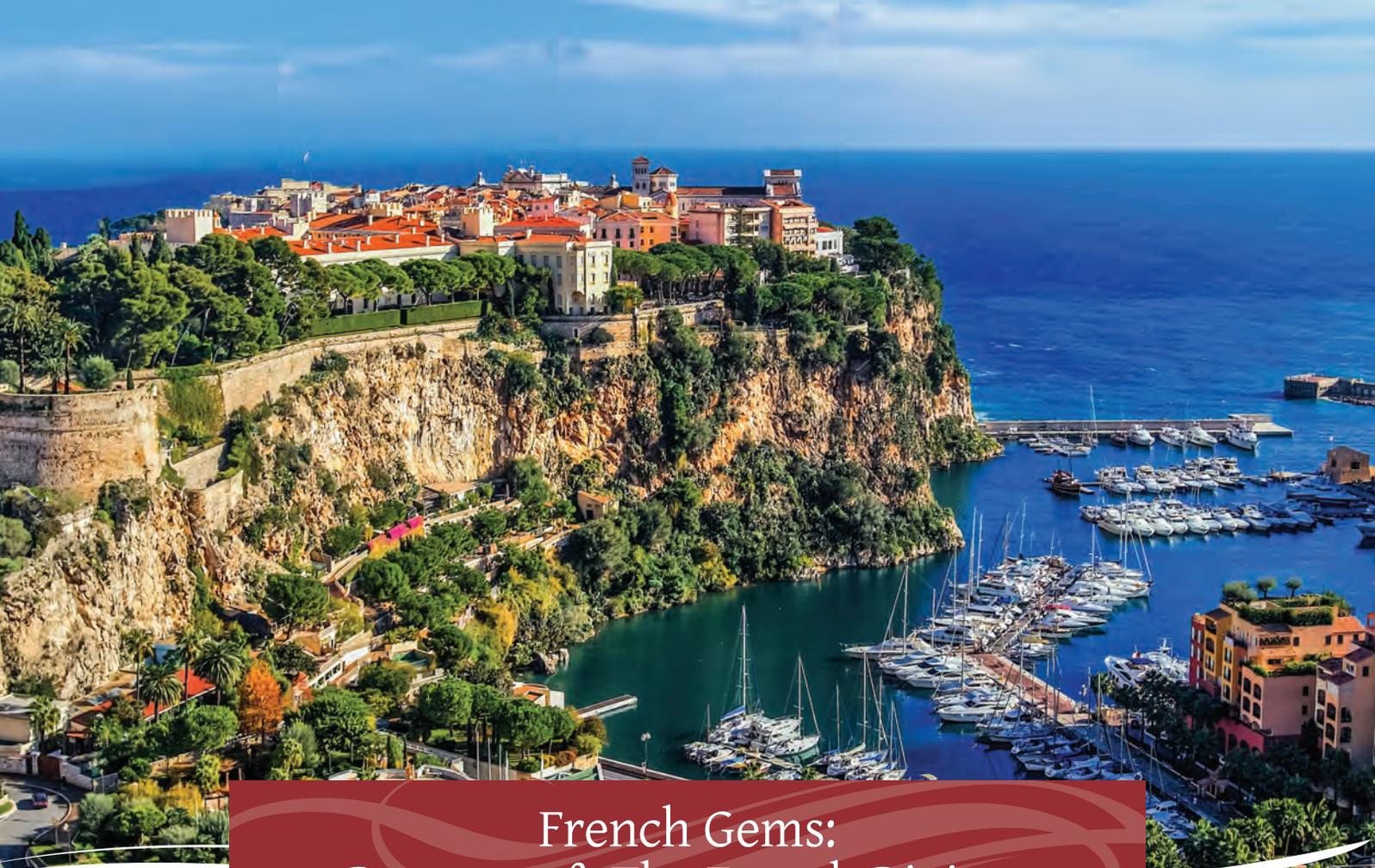
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Taste Champagne with an expert





Monte Carlo, Monaco

French Gems: Provence & The French Riviera

NICE TO MARSEILLE • 13 DAYS

Art comes alive in the South of France, where celebrities flock to the film festival in Cannes; where Cezanne lived and painted in Aix, and where Van Gogh and then Picasso let the astonishing beauty of Arles inspire them, just as Cap d'Antibes inspired Fitzgerald and Hemingway.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Monaco
- Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild
- St-Paul-de-Vence
- Cannes
- Aix-en-Provence
- Paul Cezanne's studio
- Palais des Papes
- St Benezet Bridge
- UNESCO World Heritage Site: the Roman Theatre in Orange
- Wine tasting and Provençal cuisine in Côtes du Rhône
- Pont du Gard Aqueduct
- Carrieres de Lumieres

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Nice and Marseille
- 12 nights accommodation
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2	NICE	HOTEL VILLA RIVOLI
2	CAP D'ANTIBES	HOTEL LA GAROUBE-GARDIOLE
2	AIX-EN-PROVENCE	HOTEL DES AUGUSTINS
2	SAINT-REMY-DE-PROVENCE	HOTEL GOUNOD
3	ARLES	HOTEL DU FORUM
1	MARSEILLE	RADISSON BLU HOTEL



Provence

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - NICE Welcome to Nice! A private transfer will take you to your hotel and you'll have the rest of the day to explore at your leisure.

DAY 2 | NICE - MONACO - NICE Our first stop will be Monaco, the playground of the rich and famous. Admire the glamorous harbor and the lively atmosphere. Later, we'll visit Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild in Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat where we discover its many themed rooms and beautiful gardens, before returning to Nice. (B)

DAY 3 | NICE - VENCE - CAP D'ANTIBES Today we'll stop by the village of St-Paul-de-Vence followed by the neighboring town of Vence, known as the "City of Art." Wander through its small streets and squares, which date from the 12th century, before we continue to Cap d'Antibes, our base for the next two nights. (B, D)

DAY 4 | CAP D'ANTIBES - CANNES - CAP D'ANTIBES We will spend some time in Cannes, the Jewel of the Riviera and most famous for its film festival, before moving on to the old town of Antibes to admire its beautiful port, historic squares and outdoor cafés, before returning to our hotel. (B)

DAY 5 | CAP D'ANTIBES - AIX-EN-PROVENCE From Cap d'Antibes we will head to the charming Aix-en-Provence, once the home of the artist, Paul Cezanne. From the narrow, windy roads to the impressive architecture, this is a great day-trip. Admire the Mont Sainte Victoire from a vantage point above town, before we enjoy dinner together tonight. (B, D)

DAY 6 | AIX-EN-PROVENCE Enjoy a walking tour of Aix-en-Provence which allows us to follow in the footsteps of Cezanne, passing the hot thermal springs, the Pavillon de Vendome and the Musée des Tapisseries. You will also have a chance to visit his studio where dozens of works by the great painter were conceived. Explore for the rest of the afternoon at your own pace. (B)

DAY 7 | AIX-EN-PROVENCE - AVIGNON - SAINT-REMY-DE-PROVENCE Today we will reach Avignon, a 14th century city once home to Catholic popes. The Palais des Papes

and the St Benezet Bridge are both must-see historic sites. We enjoy dinner together in Saint-Remy-de-Provence tonight. (B, D)

DAY 8 | SAINT-REMY-DE-PROVENCE We'll stop by one of the most famous wine regions in France today — the Côtes du Rhône, followed by a trip to Orange in southern France to see its UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Roman Theatre. Finally, a delicious Provençal lunch to round out the day. (B, L)

DAY 9 | SAINT-REMY-DE-PROVENCE - AIGUES-MORTES - ARLES Today begins with the iconic Pont du Gard Aqueduct, built by the Romans in the 1st century. Next, we head to the village of Aigues-Mortes, famous for its striking, fortified medieval town. In Arles, we will wander the town's quirky streets that once inspired the works of both Van Gogh and Picasso. (B, D)

DAY 10 | ARLES This morning we enjoy the local sights and see scenes painted by Van Gogh including the famous "Starlit Café." The afternoon is yours to sightsee as you please. (B)

DAY 11 | ARLES - THE "LITTLE ALPS" - ARLES Heading into the "Little Alps," we explore the Huguenot stronghold of Les Baux-de-Provence. The town rewards us with remarkable views and over 22 historical buildings. Before returning to Arles, we make a final stop at the Carrieres de Lumieres, where images and works of art are projected on to the walls of a former quarry. Tonight we enjoy our last dinner together. (B, D)

DAY 12 | ARLES - MARSEILLE After breakfast we transfer to Marseille where this portion of your vacation ends, but you'll continue on for a final night in gorgeous Marseille. (B)

DAY 13 | MARSEILLE - DEPARTURE Enjoy your final moments in France before your private transfer brings you to the airport for your departure flight home. (B)

MAKE IT YOUR OWN: This tour can combine with either of these tours: **France's Greatest Champagne & Wine** and/or **Bordeaux Discoveries**, for a broader experience.

French Gems: Provence & The French Riviera

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Pont du Gard





Southern Ireland Highlights

DUBLIN TO DUBLIN • 8 DAYS

Cliffs of Moher

Capture the essence of Ireland by visiting to savor, not just to see. Get a mermaid’s-eye-view of the magnificent Cliffs of Moher; let the southern charm of Kinsale and Kilkenny wrap around you — and meet Ireland face to face, and heart to heart.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Irish National Stud
- Birr Castle
- The Burren
- Doolin to Aran Cliffs of Moher Cruise
- Ring of Kerry
- The Skellig Experience
- Staigue Fort
- Muckross House
- Garnish Island & Ferry
- Kinsale Heritage Walk
- Jameson Middleton Distillery
- Shopping at the Avoca Woollen Mills
- Fitzgerald’s Pub featured in “Ballykissangel”

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Dublin
- 7 nights accommodation
- Full Irish breakfast daily (B) and three dinners (D)
- Services of a professional Tour Leader
- Transportation by private mini-coach with air conditioning
- All local taxes, hotel service charges and portorage for one suitcase per person

ACCOMMODATIONS as Listed or Similar:

NIGHTS	CITY	ACCOMMODATION
1	DUBLIN	THE GRESHAM HOTEL
1	ENNIS	THE OLD GROUND HOTEL
2	KILLARNEY	THE KILLARNEY ROYAL HOTEL
1	KINSALE	THE TRIDENT HOTEL
1	KILKENNY	THE RIVER COURT HOTEL
1	DUBLIN	THE GRESHAM HOTEL



Muckcross House & Gardens

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - DUBLIN Welcome to Ireland! A private transfer will take you to your hotel in Dublin and you'll have the rest of the day explore at your leisure.

DAY 2 | DUBLIN - KILDARE - ENNIS Meet our fellow travelers and tour leader before departing Dublin. Our first stop will be in Kildare — the Irish National Stud, known for having the finest horses and the beautiful Japanese Gardens. Next is a visit to Birr Castle, home of the seventh Earl of Rosse. Finally, we will reach Clare and enjoy a welcome dinner. (B, D)

DAY 3 | ENNIS - CLIFFS OF MOHER - KILLARNEY We'll make our way to the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of the Burren and Cliffs of Moher. The Burren will offer you breathtaking views and a vast array of flora and seabirds. This region boasts over 2,700 monuments dating back over 6,000 years. Afterwards, we will visit the legendary Cliffs of Moher. We'll take a one-hour cruise along the sea and admire the majestic cliffs that tower over 700-feet above sea level. Finally, we will drive to Killarney, home of the enchanting Ring of Kerry and the Killarney National Park. (B)

DAY 4 | KILLARNEY - RING OF KERRY - KILLARNEY We will spend the day experiencing all that the Ring of Kerry has to offer. Stop by the "Skellig Experience" which will tell the story of the Skellig monks. Portmagee, a quaint and colorful fishing village, will be followed by the Staigue Fort which was built between 300 and 400 AD. Finally, we will make a stop in Sneem, a romantic town affectionately referred to as "the Knot in the Ring." There will be plenty of time to explore this lovely town before returning to Killarney. (B)

DAY 5 | KILLARNEY - KENMARE - KINSALE First up is a trip to the Muckcross House, a beautiful example of Victorian architecture and design. Next, we will

travel along the southern coast to Kenmare for a stop at the historic 200-year old cottage of Molly Gallivan, a widow who brewed illicit whiskey and sold it in her illegal pub. The medieval town of Kinsale will be the final destination today and will be worth the wait. From the picturesque seaside resorts to the traditional Irish pubs, there is a buzzing atmosphere throughout this popular town. (B, D)

DAY 6 | KINSALE - COBH - KILKENNY Embark on a guided walking tour of Kinsale this morning and learn about the maritime traditions, the 800-year-old Church of Saint Multose and Charles Fort. Next, is a visit to Cobh, a gorgeous coastal town, home to the Jameson Midleton Distillery, where we will learn about the production of this famous whiskey and get a taste. We then travel to Kilkenny, rich in medieval heritage and perhaps most famous for its imposing castle. This evening we enjoy a final dinner together. (B, D)

DAY 7 | KILKENNY - DUBLIN Today we will start our descent back to Dublin through the Wicklow Mountains, otherwise known as the Garden of Ireland. We will make a stop in the village of Avoca, most famous for the popular television series "Ballykissangel." Grab a pint at Fitzgerald's Pub and then spend some time shopping at the Avoca Woollen Mills. Arrive in Dublin and spend just one more night in this dynamic city. (B)

DAY 8 | DUBLIN - DEPARTURE Enjoy your last moments in Dublin before your private transfer to the airport, for your return flight home.

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The Irish National Stud





Gems of the Emerald Isle

DUBLIN TO DUBLIN • 14 DAYS

Giant's Causeway

Every facet of Ireland is beautifully reflected in this all-encompassing tour. From Dublin to Derry to Dingle, you'll find history, mystery, and beauty as you visit Ireland's ports, pubs, manors and monasteries — there's so much to explore.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Newgrange
- Site of the Battle of the Boyne
- Hill of Tara
- Famous Belfast Black Cab Tour
- *Titanic* Museum
- Giant's Causeway
- Doagh Famine Village
- Ulster-American Folk Park
- Drumcliffe Church
- Parkes Castle
- Connemara Heritage Centre
- The Burren
- Cliffs of Moher
- Blasket Islands Centre
- Gallarus Oratory
- Bantry House
- Kinsale Heritage Walk
- Irish whiskey tour and tasting
- Rock of Cashel
- Glendalough and Powerscourt Estate

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Dublin
- 13 nights accommodation
- Full Irish breakfast daily (B) and five dinners (D)
- Services of a professional Tour Leader
- Transportation by private mini-coach with air conditioning
- All local taxes, hotel service charges and portorage for one suitcase per person

ACCOMMODATIONS as Listed or Similar:

NIGHTS	CITY	ACCOMMODATION
1	DUBLIN	THE GRESHAM HOTEL
1	BELFAST	THE MALONE LODGE
2	DERRY	THE BEECH HILL COUNTRY HOUSE
1	SLIGO	THE MARKREE CASTLE
2	GALWAY	THE PARK HOUSE HOTEL
2	DINGLE	THE DINGLE BENNERS HOTEL
2	BLARNEY	THE BLARNEY CASTLE HOTEL
1	KILKENNY	THE RIVER COURT HOTEL
1	DUBLIN	THE GRESHAM HOTEL



Tipperary

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - DUBLIN You've arrived to the land of a thousand welcomes! A private transfer will take you to your hotel and you'll have the rest of the day to explore at your leisure.

DAY 2 | DUBLIN - BELFAST After a visit to the prehistoric site of Newgrange we'll visit the site of the Battle of the Boyne and the Hill of Tara, historically the primary spiritual and political center of Ireland. Enjoy a welcome dinner in Belfast. (B, D)

DAY 3 | BELFAST - DERRY Take an guided tour of Belfast's political murals on a Famous Belfast Black Cab tour, followed by a visit to the *Titanic* Museum. This afternoon we visit the Giant's Causeway, the jewel in the crown on the coast of Antrim, before arriving in Derry. (B)

DAY 4 | DERRY - NORTH IRISH COAST - DERRY Take a guided walk along the ancient walls of Derry and visit Grianaid of Aileach, an Iron Age fort offering stunning views over the nearby lochs. Our coastal drive takes us to the Inishowen Peninsula in Donegal and the Isle of Doagh Visitor Centre, where we'll hear an unusual view of the Irish Famine. (B)

DAY 5 | DERRY - SLIGO After a stop at the Ulster-American Folk Park, we visit Belleek, home to Ireland's oldest pottery. We'll pass through County Fermanagh, Sligo and W.B. Yeats country, and visit the Drumcliffe Church and Parkes Castle. (B, D)

DAY 6 | SLIGO - CONNEMARA - GALWAY We'll drive through Westport today before stopping at the award-winning Connemara Heritage Centre to learn more about the region's heritage. We complete our journey today with a walking tour of the wonderful city of Galway. (B)

DAY 7 | GALWAY Today is free for you to explore Galway as you wish. Your guide will be on hand to offer advice on how to make the most of this fantastic city. (B)

DAY 8 | GALWAY - THE BURREN - DINGLE From the fishing village of Kinvara we'll travel through the Burren and stop at the prehistoric burial site of the Poulnabrone

Portal Tomb. Our day ends with a stop at the iconic Cliffs of Moher in Clare. (B, D)

DAY 9 | DINGLE PENINSULA Spend the day traveling around the Dingle Peninsula, visiting ancient churches, stone forts and beaches before visiting the Blasket Islands Centre. You'll have free time later today to continue exploring as you please. (B)

DAY 10 | DINGLE - KENMARE - BLARNEY Today we visit the MacGillycuddy's Reeks, home of the highest peak in Ireland, and the serene Killarney Lakes. We take the mountain road from Killarney to the enchanting town of Kenmare, before journeying to the Healy Pass to visit the magnificent Bantry House. (B, D)

DAY 11 | BLARNEY - KINSALE - CORK - BLARNEY In Kinsale we enjoy a guided walking tour followed by a trip to the Jameson Middleton Distillery to learn about the production of whiskey and taste some of the finest whiskey in Ireland. This evening you are free to explore Blarney's attractions. (B)

DAY 12 | BLARNEY - TIPPERARY - KILKENNY At the Rock of Cashel we'll see the ruins of a medieval cathedral, a Romanesque church and a striking round tower. Next, travel through Tipperary to Kilkenny, Ireland's "most perfect medieval city," where we have leisure time to take in the many sights. (B, D)

DAY 13 | KILKENNY - DUBLIN Today we cross the Wicklow Mountains to Glendalough and travel through the Wicklows to Sally Gap before descending to the Powerscourt Estate. After exploring this beautiful property we'll travel to Dublin. (B)

DAY 14 | DUBLIN - DEPARTURE Enjoy your last Irish breakfast before your private transfer brings you to the airport for your departure flight home. (B)

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		Oct	4

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Jameson Distillery





Amalfi Coast

Southern Italy's Pearls

NAPLES TO NAPLES • 8 DAYS

From Rome's ancient glory, through the Renaissance to today, the full bouquet of Italy's natural beauty, artistic masterpieces, and relaxed-yet-sophisticated way of life pervades every corner you explore. The tang of limoncello, the azure of the sea: in Italy the senses come to play.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Tour of the Old City of Naples
- Cappella Sansevero
- Walking tour of Pompeii
- Italian cooking class at Tenuta Seliano
- Tour of Paestum
- Villa Rufolo and Villa Cimbrone
- Capri Ferry and Funicular
- Limoncello tasting with a local producer in Tramonti
- Mozzarella and Olive Oil Tasting
- Royal Palace of Caserta
- Aglianico wine tasting in Sant'Agata dei Goti

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Naples
- 7 nights accommodation
- European breakfast daily (B); three dinners (D); and two lunches (L)
- Services of a professional Tour Leader
- Transportation by private mini-coach with air conditioning
- All local taxes, hotel service charges and portorage for one suitcase per person

ACCOMMODATIONS as Listed or Similar:

NIGHTS	CITY	ACCOMMODATION
1	NAPLES	HOTEL ART RESORT GALLERIA UMBERTO
1	PAESTUM	THE HOTEL IL GRANAIO DEI CASABELLA
4	SCALA	THE HOTEL VILLA GIUSEPPINA
1	NAPLES	HOTEL ART RESORT GALLERIA UMBERTO



Capri

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - NAPLES Welcome to Naples! A private transfer will take you to your hotel and you'll have the rest of the day to explore at your leisure before you unite with your fellow travelers for a pre-tour briefing.

DAY 2 | NAPLES - POMPEII - PAESTUM We will spend today touring the Old City of Naples, making stops at the Cappella Sansevero which houses the "Veiled Christ," one of the most famous works of art in the world. Afterwards, we'll tour Pompeii, the Roman city destroyed by the catastrophic Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD. On a guided walking tour with a local expert, we are given an insight into everyday Roman life and will see many fascinating sights including the Basilica, the Forum and the Amphitheatre. Finally, we finish the day in Paestum with a delicious traditional Italian meal together. (B, D)

DAY 3 | PAESTUM - SCALA This morning we learn the art of traditional Campania cooking before sitting down with the family to enjoy the lunch that we have prepared. This afternoon we will explore UNESCO-listed Paestum, a secret gem hidden away from the main tourist track and just waiting to be discovered. Admire the beautiful marble temples and stunning mountains in the background before continuing on to Scala, the oldest town on the Amalfi Coast. (B, L)

DAY 4 | SCALA - RAVELLO - AMALFI - POSITANO - SCALA There are 13 villages on the Amalfi Coast, commonly referred to as pearls as they each have distinct history and cultures. We will make a stop in the beautiful town of Ravello before taking a walking tour of Amalfi, through the colorful tightly packed houses set along the hillside. Finally, stop by the fishing village of Positano that is known best for its hand-made pezze, thin and brightly colored garments made from linen and gauze. (B, D)

DAY 5 | SCALA - CAPRI - SCALA Today we board the ferry and sail to the island of Capri, lying in the blue waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea, off the Sorrento Peninsula. Capri has been a sought-after destination since the days of Ancient Rome, offering a wide choice of exclusive shopping, cafes and restaurants. To reach the center of Capri from the port we will board the funicular railway, which travels through the island's lemon groves. Later this afternoon we return to Scala. (B)

DAY 6 | SCALA - VIETRI SUL MARE - SCALA This morning we visit some more of the Amalfi Coast pearls including Minori, Maiori and Cetara before reaching Vietri sul Mare, famous across the world for its hand-painted and vividly-colored ceramics. This afternoon we travel along the backroads of the region to Tramonti, where we visit a local producer of Limoncello, a strong and tasty lemon-based liqueur. We sample this local specialty before we return to Scala, where we gather for a final dinner together. (B, D)

DAY 7 | SCALA - ROYAL PALACE OF CASERTA - SANT'AGATA DEI GOTI - NAPLES Today we drive to the 18th century Royal Palace of Caserta, the last great building of the Italian Baroque era. Although we can't visit all 1,200 rooms, the ones we will see are as extravagant as they are exquisite. We then travel to Sant'Agata dei Goti to visit a local farmhouse for a tasting of Aglianico wines followed by a traditional lunch. Return to Naples for the night. (B, L)

DAY 8 | NAPLES - DEPARTURE Be sure to take in your last moments in Italy before your private transfer brings you to the airport for your departure flight home. (B)

MAKE IT YOUR OWN: This tour can combine with either of these tours: **Renaissance Treasures: Tuscany & The Cinque Terre** and/or **Slow Food Tour: Puglia**, for a broader experience.

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Mount Vesuvius and ruins in Pompeii





Renaissance Treasures: Tuscany & The Cinque Terre

FLORENCE TO FLORENCE • 10 DAYS

Cinque Terre

From the mountains to the sea, Tuscany encompasses an exquisite world of its own — art, history, olive oil, and wine. See Michelangelo’s “David” in Florence, make fresh pasta under a chef’s watchful eye, and traverse the verdant backlit hillsides and cobbled medieval streets.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Walking tour of Florence
- Galleria dell’Accademia
- UNESCO World Heritage Site: Cinque Terre
- Cinque Terre ferries, trains, and coastal walk
- Baptistery of St. John in Pisa
- Cathedral of Siena
- Olive oil tasting in Monteriggioni
- Italian cooking class with an Italian chef
- Castle of Verrazzano
- Chianti wine tasting

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Florence
- 9 nights accommodation
- European breakfast daily (B); four dinners (D); and two lunches (L)
- Local guide in Florence and Siena
- Services of a professional Tour Leader
- Transportation by private mini-coach with air conditioning
- All local taxes, hotel service charges and portorage for one suitcase per person

ACCOMMODATIONS as Listed or Similar:

NIGHTS	CITY	ACCOMMODATION
2	FLORENCE	PITTI PALACE HOTEL
2	LUCCA	ALBERGO SAN MARTINO
2	VOLTERRA	HOTEL SAN LINO
2	TUSCANY	VILLA LA PALAGINA
1	FLORENCE	PITTI PALACE HOTEL



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"David"

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - FLORENCE Welcome to Florence! A private transfer will take you to your hotel and you'll have the rest of the day to explore at your leisure. Later in the day you'll meet your fellow travelers for a pre-tour briefing followed by a welcome dinner. (D)

DAY 2 | FLORENCE This morning we'll take a walking tour of Florence complete with a trip to the Ponte Vecchio, the oldest and most famous bridge over the Arno. Stroll along the bridge lined with jewelry shops, before we make our way to the Galleria dell'Accademia to admire the statue of "David," Michelangelo's masterpiece. You'll have the afternoon and evening to explore the city at your own pace. (B)

DAY 3 | FLORENCE - LUCCA This afternoon we'll arrive in Lucca, one of Tuscany's best-kept secrets. This charming Tuscan town is protected by massive 16th century walls and is one of Italy's finest medieval towns. For classical music lovers we highly recommend purchasing tickets for the Puccini Opera, which is held in the town every evening. (B)

DAY 4 | LUCCA - CINQUE TERRE - LUCCA Today we set out to explore the steep Tuscan coastline of the Italian Riviera. One of the highlights of the tour is the Cinque Terre, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Composed of five pastel-colored villages nestled among five miles of remote and rocky coastline, the Cinque Terre offers magnificent scenery dotted with olive groves and vineyards, superb fresh seafood and beautiful little harbors. We explore three of the villages by boat (weather permitting), train and foot before we return to Lucca later this afternoon. (B, D)

DAY 5 | LUCCA - PISA - VOLTERRA Today we travel to Pisa to see the incredible 12th century Leaning Tower and the impressive Baptistery of St. John. From Pisa we'll travel through the romantic and timeless Tuscan countryside to Volterra, a mysterious walled medieval town perched high upon a rocky plateau. (B)

DAY 6 | VOLTERRA - SIENA - VOLTERRA Today the grandeur of the Tuscan countryside continues as we head to medieval Siena, with its breathtaking array of majestic buildings, drawn together by winding cobbled alleyways and steep steps. Later we drive to San Gimignano, one of Italy's most beautiful hilltop villages, before returning to Volterra for an evening at leisure. (B)

DAY 7 | VOLTERRA - TUSCANY This morning we drive through rolling green hills, vineyards and olive groves to the delightful village of Monteriggioni. Later we will visit a local producer of olive oil for a tasting before traveling to our final destination today, a beautiful villa in the Tuscan countryside. (B, D)

DAY 8 | TUSCANY The villa's chef will teach us how to make the perfect pasta and delicious Italian bread this morning. Afterwards, enjoy the lunch you prepared. Relax on your own this afternoon before our final dinner together this evening. (B, L, D)

DAY 9 | TUSCAN HILLS - FLORENCE After a relaxing morning we'll make our way to the Castle of Verrazzano, located on a hilltop in the Chianti Classico area, the first grape growing and wine producing area in the world. After visiting the castle and its historical aging cellars, we taste a selection of wines and then enjoy lunch together, which has been prepared using ingredients from local producers. After lunch we return to Florence where our tour ends, but where you'll be able to enjoy one last memorable night at your leisure. (B, L)

DAY 10 | FLORENCE - DEPARTURE Enjoy your final moments in Florence before your private transfer brings you to the airport for your departure flight home. (B)

MAKE IT YOUR OWN: This tour can combine with either of these tours: **Southern Italy's Pearls** and/or **Dazzling Sicily**, for a broader experience.





Italian Splendor

ROME TO VENICE • 13 DAYS

Isola Bella in Lake Maggiore

Discover your passion for Italy: hand-crafted cheese, wine and chocolate; the music of Puccini and the marble brought to life by Michelangelo. Savor the mountain lakes, the canals of Venice, the villages of Cinque Terre, the Verona balcony where Romeo wooed his love — and so much more.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Italian pasta and bread-making class
- Walking tour of Florence
- Pisa
- Baptistery of St. John in Pisa
- Wine tasting at Banca del Vino
- Chocolate and nougat tasting in Torronificio Barbero or Torronificio Faccio
- Isola Bella and Isola Madre on Lake Maggiore
- Venice water taxi
- Walking tour of Venice

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Rome and Venice
- 12 nights accommodation
- European breakfast daily (B); six dinners (D); and two lunches (L)
- Local guides in Florence and Venice
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1	ROME	HOTEL DOMUS AUSTRALIA
1	PERUGIA	THE HOTEL FORTUNA
2	TUSCANY	THE VILLA LA PALAGINA
2	LUCCA	THE HOTEL ALLA CORTE DEGLI ANGELI
1	SANTA MARGARITA	THE HOTEL LIDO PALACE
1	NOVI LIGURE	HOTEL LA CORTE ALBERTINA
2	LAKE MAGGIORE	THE HOTEL MAJESTIC
1	VERONA	GRAND HOTEL VERONA
1	VENICE	PALAZZO GIOVANELLI HOTEL



Venice

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May	6, 13, 20, 27	Aug	5, 12, 19, 26
Jun	3, 10, 17, 24	Sep	2, 9, 16, 23, 30

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Florence

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - ROME Welcome to Rome! A private transfer will take you to your hotel and you'll have the rest of the day to explore at your leisure.

DAY 2 | ROME - ASSISI - PERUGIA Leaving Italy's capital behind, we drive to the picturesque town of Assisi, the birthplace of Saint Francis. After exploring this historic village and traveling through the Umbrian countryside we reach Perugia, a lively medieval walled town. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner together. (B, D)

DAY 3 | PERUGIA - SIENA - TUSCANY After exploring Siena in the morning, we travel through rolling green hills, vineyards and age-old olive groves to our idyllic Tuscan villa in the Chianti region. (B, D)

DAY 4 | TUSCANY Today we'll begin with a cooking class in Tuscany and then we'll savor our very own Italian creation. The rest of the day is free to relax in our Tuscan villa; take a dip in the pool or simply relax on the terrace. (B, L, D)

DAY 5 | TUSCANY - FLORENCE - LUCCA After visiting the Galleria dell'Accademia, home to Michelangelo's "David," we'll enjoy a walking tour of Florence. Later this afternoon we journey to Lucca — a spectacular walled town in Italy. We highly recommend purchasing tickets for the Puccini Opera, which is held in the town every evening. (B)

DAY 6 | LUCCA - PISA - LUCCA We'll visit the ancient city of Pisa, with its famous 600-year-old Leaning Tower. Inside the Baptistry of St. John we discover the building's remarkable acoustics. Later, we'll return to Lucca and you will have time to explore the city as you please. (B)

DAY 7 | LUCCA - CINQUE TERRE - SANTA MARGARITA Travel to the Italian Riviera, which includes the five captivating villages that make up the Cinque Terre. These villages are listed as UNESCO World Heritage Sites and offer some stunning views. We will overnight in the dazzling area of Santa Margarita. (B, D)

DAY 8 | SANTA MARGARITA - MONGIARDINO LIGURE - NOVI LIGURE We'll visit the Piedmont region today and get to taste wine at Banca del Vino. We'll overnight in Novi Ligure. (B, D)

DAY 9 | NOVI LIGURE - ASTI - LAKE ORTA - LAKE MAGGIORE Visit the Torronificio Barbero or Torronificio Faccio for a private chocolate and nougat tasting. In Vercelli, the largest rice growing area of Europe, we'll enjoy a traditional risotto lunch before heading to the Lakes region in northern Italy. After stopping at the enchanting Lake Orta, we'll spend the night at Lake Maggiore. (B, L)

DAY 10 | LAKE MAGGIORE We begin with a trip to the Borromeo Islands on Lake Maggiore. Admire the Baroque Garden, Isola dei Pescatori and its pretty harbor, and Isola Madre with its wonderful Renaissance Villa. The rest of the day is for you to relax on the shores of Lake Maggiore. (B)

DAY 11 | LAKE MAGGIORE - VERONA Today we head to romantic Verona, stopping briefly at Lake Garda. Upon arrival, we'll explore the city, seeing its Roman Amphitheatre and Juliet's Balcony. The remainder of the day is yours to discover at your own pace. (B)

DAY 12 | VERONA - VENICE On the walking tour of Venice we'll see daily Venetian life in St Mark's Square and local landmarks including St Mark's Basilica, Doge's Palace and the Rialto Bridge. Explore on your own for the rest of the day before our farewell dinner. (B, D)

DAY 13 | VENICE - DEPARTURE Your Italian adventure comes to an end after breakfast. Be sure to make the most of your last morning in Italy before your private transfer brings you to the airport for your departure flight home. (B)

MAKE IT YOUR OWN: This tour can combine with **Southern Italy's Pearls**, for a broader experience.





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Envision Spain as a treasure chest you're invited to open — we've chosen the finest jewels for your inspection! From the Royal City of Madrid to the Moorish palace of Alhambra, Spain unfolds before you in all its historic glory, enlivened by *sangria*, *tapas*, and other culinary delights.

SIGHTSEEING HIGHLIGHTS

- Synagogue of Santa Maria la Blanca
- Monastery of San Juan de los Reyes
- Wine and *tapas* in Valdepenas
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- Sangria and *tapas*-making class in Seville
- Flamenco show in Seville
- Cathedral and Alcazar in Seville
- Wine and sherry tasting in Jerez de la Frontera
- Alhambra in Granada
- UNESCO World Heritage Sites: Ubeda and Baeza
- Olive oil tasting

VACATION INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip airport transfers in Madrid
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- Local guides in Toledo, Cordoba, Seville and Granada
- Services of a professional Tour Leader
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ACCOMMODATIONS as Listed or Similar:

NIGHTS	CITY	ACCOMMODATION
1	MADRID	HOTEL VINCCI SOHO
1	TOLEDO	HOTEL CARLOS V
2	CORDOBA	HOTEL CASAS DE LA JUDERIA
2	SEVILLE	HOTEL CASAS DE LA JUDERIA
1	RONDA	HOTEL REINA VICTORIA
2	GRANADA	HOTEL PALACIO DE LOS NAVAS
1	BAEZA	HOTEL PUERTA DE LA LUNA
1	MADRID	HOTEL VINCCI SOHO



Granada

DAY 1 | ARRIVAL - MADRID Welcome to Madrid! A private transfer will take you to your hotel and you'll have the rest of the day to explore at your leisure.

DAY 2 | MADRID - TOLEDO From Madrid we'll head south to Toledo, known as the "Imperial City." Here we'll admire the magnificent cathedral as well as the Synagogue of Santa Maria la Blanca and the Monastery of San Juan de los Reyes. This evening enjoy dinner in a traditional Spanish restaurant. (B, D)

DAY 3 | TOLEDO - VALDEPENAS - CORDOBA We'll travel south across the vast plains of La Mancha, famous for its wines, manchego cheese and Don Quixote, before reaching Valdepenas where we'll visit a local bodega to sample wines and *tapas*. The day comes to an end in the enchanting city of Cordoba. (B, L)

DAY 4 | CORDOBA In Cordoba we'll journey back in time to the Al-Andalus from over a thousand years ago with a walking tour and a visit to the Mezquita, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Spend the afternoon exploring the Old Town's narrow streets and ornate patios at your leisure. (B)

DAY 5 | CORDOBA - SEVILLE In Seville, we'll have a *tapas* cooking class and learn how to make the perfect sangria. This afternoon discover Seville at your own pace before preparing for an unforgettable Andalusian flamenco show. (B)

DAY 6 | SEVILLE Explore the fascinating and vibrant city of Seville this morning. Highlights include a stroll through the Jewish Quarter to the impressive cathedral and the Alcazar de Sevilla, the oldest royal palace in Europe that is still in use today. After some time at leisure we meet up again for a *tapas* dinner with a contemporary twist. (B, D)

DAY 7 | SEVILLE - JEREZ DE LA FRONTERA - RONDA Today we head to the Costa de la Luz on the Atlantic Coast where we'll stop for delicious seafood lunch.

In Jerez de la Frontera, we'll discover the secrets of sherry wine with a guided tour of one of the oldest family wineries in town. Our final destination today is Ronda, a beautiful town perched on the edge of a deep canyon cut out by the River Guadalevin. (B)

DAY 8 | RONDA - GRANADA After a morning free to explore Ronda's ancient streets, we continue east to the unforgettable city of Granada, which was the last stronghold of the Moorish empire in southern Spain until it fell to the Catholic kings in 1492. Enjoy the evening at leisure in Granada. (B)

DAY 9 | GRANADA Our morning is dedicated to the magical Alhambra, a breathtaking Moorish palace and fortress perched on top of a steep hill adjacent to the city center. A true tribute to North African architecture in Andalusia, the Alhambra is a huge network of beautiful rooms, patios and gardens. Use the rest of today to explore Granada at your own pace. (B)

DAY 10 | GRANADA - UBEDA - BAEZA Today we'll explore the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Ubeda and Baeza, just six miles apart, both made up of 16th and 17th century renaissance buildings. Nicknamed "queen" (Ubeda) and "lady" (Baeza) by the brilliant poet Antonio Machado, their quiet streets and plazas are lined with stunning Spanish renaissance palaces. Enjoy an olive oil tasting before our farewell dinner at our 17th century mansion hotel. (B, D)

DAY 11 | BAEZA - MADRID This morning we leave Baeza and transfer back to Madrid where you'll spend your last night in Spain. (B)

DAY 12 | MADRID - DEPARTURE Enjoy your final moments in this magical country before your private transfer brings you to the airport for your departure flight home. (B)

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Tapas





Travel Protection Plan

DESIGNED EXCLUSIVELY FOR YOUR VACATION

We offer two types of travel protection plans to all of our clients depending on the type of travel being purchased. The first plan is available for travelers choosing Independent Travel programs. The second plan is available for clients choosing guided tours, privately chauffeured tours and itineraries including three or more rounds of golf. The cost of this protection is 8% of the total cost of your trip and must be purchased at time of booking. A summary of inclusions is listed below; please contact the Sceptre Tours' call center for additional information regarding protection plans. Clients may only purchase and cancel using Travel Protection Plan a maximum of one time for the same booking.

INDEPENDENT TRAVEL TRIP PROTECTION PLAN

Trip Cancellation: The Trip Cancellation Waiver is designed to protect your investment on all featured self-drive and customized bookings. Cancel your trip once for any reason. Notification of cancellation must be at least 72 hours (3 business days) before your departure to receive a refund of your payments made, less any protection plan costs and fees. Cancellations must be made during normal business hours (Mon-Fri: 9AM-5:30PM ET, Sat: 10AM-6PM ET) by calling 1-800-495-5220.

PRE-DEPARTURE PROTECTION

Trip Cancellation Protection* (provided by Sceptre Tours): Cancel your travel plans once and receive a refund up to your total vacation cost. All claims for pre-departure coverage are to be made directly with Sceptre Tours with further reimbursement issued by Sceptre Tours.

POST-DEPARTURE PROTECTION (provided by Trip Mate Inc.)

Travel Delay Coverage: Receive up to \$150/day when delayed for 8+ hours on qualified Claims, up to a maximum of \$750. **Baggage Protection:** Receive up to \$500 for loss, theft or damage to baggage on qualified claims. **Medical Protection:** Receive up to \$50,000 for covered medical expenses incurred while on our trip or a sickness that first manifests during the trip.

WORLDWIDE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE: A variety of assistance services are offered.

* In the event of a partial cancellation, (when one member of a party cancels), a refund will be provided for any non-shared products or services provided the cancellation follows procedures stated above.

** Name change fees are not covered nor are changes or upgrades to package components.

All claims for post-departure coverage are to be made with Trip Mate Inc. with further reimbursement being issued by Trip Mate Inc.

SPECIALTY SERVICE VACATION TRIP PROTECTION PLAN: For travelers choosing guided tours, privately chauffeured tours or golf vacations, Trip Cancellation Protection provided is by Trip Mate Inc. This coverage is provided solely by Trip Mate Inc. and designed to protect your travel investment with a full cash refund less the cost of the insurance and cancellation fees determined by the cancellation policy below for the following reasons: sickness, injury, death, home made uninhabitable by fire, traffic accident, employment termination, or natural disaster. The cost of this protection is 8% of the total cost of your trip and must be purchased at time of booking. In addition to the cancellation protection, the following coverage and services are provided per person during the course of your trip. All claims are to be made to Trip Mate Inc. 9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, Missouri 64114 Plan #:F4215. Call 1-800-888-7292. Amounts listed are the maximum reimbursements provided:

TRAVEL PROTECTION—Limits are per person:

Trip Cancellation: Trip Cost*
Trip Interruption: Trip Cost*
Trip Delay: \$750 (\$150/day)

*Up to tour cost paid to a maximum of \$8,000

MEDICAL PROTECTION:

Emergency Accident and Sickness
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Emergency Evacuation and
Repatriation of Remains: \$50,000

BAGGAGE PROTECTION:

Baggage and Personal Effects: \$1,000
Baggage Delay: \$250

WORLDWIDE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE SERVICES:

A variety of assistance services are offered



The Burren, Ireland

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This agreement contains the terms and conditions by which Sceptre Tours in consideration for a participant's payment agrees to provide these travel tours. All products and services depicted in this brochure are subject to change without notice. It is the passenger's responsibility to understand the following terms and conditions before sending any form of payment. Exchange of payment to Sceptre Tours or your Travel Agent constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. For group reservations, please refer to the Group Policy.

DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT:

Unless Travel Protection is purchased through Sceptre Tours, all payments are non-refundable and non-transferable.

• Travel Agency bookings require a minimum land deposit of \$200.00 per person at time of booking.

If airfare and/or travel protection is added these too must be paid in full at time of booking

• Final payment is due 60 days prior to departure (unless full payment was previously made at time of booking). The credit card selected for initial payment will be charged for final balance of the reservation 60 days prior to departure, unless otherwise advised.

• Payments are accepted in the form of agency check or the following Credit Cards: American Express, MasterCard, Visa, and Discover.

For group reservations, refer to the Group Policy, which will be provided to you by Sceptre Tours upon request.

IMPORTANT AIR AND LAND PACKAGE INFORMATION:

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Air seats are limited and prices may be restricted to specific flights, class of service, travel dates, or length of stay. Holiday periods, flights and dates outside of specified travel period are available at additional costs. Accommodations include applicable taxes.

Optional Travel Protection Plan will be offered during the booking process and if purchased, you will be allowed to cancel, subject to the below terms. If you have not purchased our Travel Protection Plan, all bookings are non-refundable. Offers apply to North American-originating passengers only.

Any airfare added during either the online or call center booking process will include all carrier and government-imposed taxes and fees including any fuel surcharges. Flight restrictions/terms & conditions apply. Frequent flyer mileage/points accruals may not apply. Tickets are non-refundable. Stopovers are not permitted. Offers cannot be combined with any other discounts/promotions. Child/infant discounts vary by carrier. Substantial restrictions apply for cancellation/changes. See documents for any additional terms and conditions specific to your purchase that may apply.

CANCELLATION AND CHANGE POLICIES:

Changes or cancellations must be made during normal business hours (Mon-Fri: 9AM-5:30PM ET, Sat: 10AM-6PM ET) by calling 1-800-221-0924.

INDEPENDENT TRAVEL CHANGE AND CANCELLATION POLICY:

Unless you have purchased the Travel Protection Plan, all trips are non-refundable and non-transferable. A "cancellation" defined as to terminate all travel arrangement made in relation to the purchased package. A "change" is defined as the substitution of one traveler in place of another, a reduction to the number in the party or the alteration of the travel dates. Changes after purchase may result in some instances may be up to 100% of the package price, plus any applicable increase in the cost of the package price. Changes or cancellations must be made before the scheduled departure time. Invocation of the Travel Protection Plan, notification of cancellation must be made at least 72 hours before your scheduled departure (3 business days) to receive a refund of your total payment less the cost of the Travel Protection Plan. Refunds will be issued directly by Sceptre Tours to those who have purchased Independent Vacations and Trip Mate (Insurance provider). In the event of partial cancellation, (when one or more members of party cancels), a refund will be provided for all non-shared products or services provided cancellation follows the procedure above.



Edinburgh, Scotland



Market in Granada, Spain

IF THE TOUR OPERATOR CANCELS THE TOUR: In the event the Tour Operator, for any reason, cancels your guided tour we will rebook clients on the same tour with the next available departure date or a similar tour. If there is no acceptable substitute the Tour Operator will issue a refund to the client of the amount paid only; there is no additional liability. Please note the Tour Operator cannot be held responsible for any air and other travel arrangements not booked with the Tour Operator.

REFUNDS FOR UNUSED SERVICES: No refunds will be made for unused services or vouchers once travel arrangements have commenced. This includes any service downgrades.

AIR ARRANGEMENTS: Sceptre Tours is not responsible if an airline cancels, reschedules, or delays a flight for any reason. If you miss your departure flight, it is your responsibility to work with the airline on which you are ticketed to reach your destination. Sceptre Tours is not responsible for any additional expenses you may incur prior to joining your trip. Sceptre Tours is not responsible for and will not provide any refund for portions of trips missed due to canceled, rescheduled, or delayed flights. For air purchased through Sceptre Tours, if any air schedule requires an overnight stay in a gateway city, it is your responsibility to secure accommodations at your own expense. Routings are not guaranteed and are subject to change at any time. If you make your own flight arrangements, Sceptre Tours will not be responsible for any loss resulting from cancellation or changes in international gateways, itineraries or travel dates. We recommend that you do not purchase airline tickets with high penalty charges for changes.

PARTICIPATION: For the benefit of everyone on your vacation, Sceptre Tours reserves the right to accept or reject any vacation participant and to remove any participant whose conduct is deemed incompatible with the interests of the other participants. We will not refund nor cover any cost or expenses you incur if we have to terminate your vacation arrangements due to your unacceptable behavior. Only children 12 and older will be permitted to participate in Enchanting Journeys vacations.

TRAVELERS WHO NEED SPECIAL ASSISTANCE: Any disability requiring special attention while on tour must be reported to Sceptre Tours at the time the reservation is made. Sceptre Tours will make reasonable attempts to accommodate the special needs of disabled travelers, but is not responsible in the event confirmation cannot be acquired nor any denial of services by air carriers, hotels, restaurants, or other independent suppliers. The Americans Disabilities Act is only applicable within the United States and facilities for disabled individuals are limited outside its borders. Most transportation services, including the touring motorcoach, are not equipped with wheelchair ramps. We regret that we cannot provide individual assistance to a vacation participant for walking, dining, getting on and off motorcoaches and other vehicles, or other personal needs. A qualified and physically-able companion must accompany travelers who need such assistance and must assume full responsibility for their well-being.

YOUNG TRAVELERS: Travelers who are less than 18 years old on the departure date must be accompanied by an adult and share an adult's accommodations throughout the duration of the vacation. There are no young traveler discounts. For any special requirements regarding airline tickets for children, contact your airline directly. Due to heightened security, many countries have adopted practices to prevent international abductions of children. If a child will be traveling with adults other than the parents or with only one parent, it is recommended that a notarized letter be written by the parents or non-traveling parent granting authorization to travel, including the dates of travel. We suggest that you also contact the appropriate consulate and airlines because they may have additional requirements or recommendations.

VISAS & PASSPORTS: You are responsible for obtaining and paying for all visas and entry documents, for meeting all health and other requirements, and for any documents required by the laws, regulations, orders, and/or requirements of the countries you will visit. Non-U.S. citizens must consult with appropriate consulates to determine if any visas are needed and are responsible for obtaining all visas and entry documents independently. Sceptre Tours is not responsible for providing you with specific visa and passport information or documentation and Sceptre Tours cannot accept liability for any passenger refused entry onto any transport or into any country due to failure of the passenger to carry correct documentation. All passengers traveling internationally are required to have a passport. Most countries require that the passport be valid for at least six (6) months beyond

the conclusion of your trip. It is recommended you have a minimum of three blank pages in your passport when traveling, as many countries require blank pages. Multiple-entry visas are required for some vacations. It is your responsibility to verify all visa and passport requirements.

ACCOMMODATIONS: We reserve the right to substitute hotels, car models, golf and sightseeing listed herein for similar product categories as conditions may require. Hotel rooms in Europe are typically smaller and less standardized than those in the United States and do not always offer air conditioning. Please note that a "twin room" generally includes 2 twin beds placed side by side. A "double room" indicates one large bed for two people. Please note that accommodation check-in times vary worldwide but it is normal hotel policy that check-in is generally not possible before 2:00 p.m.

IRISH WELCOME HOME (B&B) VOUCHERS: No refunds will be issued for unused vouchers or of vouchers presented as payment to an Irish Welcome Homes (B&Bs) of a lesser price category. It is the client's responsibility to secure their own reservations with the individual Irish Welcome Homes (B&Bs) under the open voucher program. Sceptre Tours can, in certain circumstances, pre-book an Irish Welcome Homes (B&Bs) on the clients' behalf for an additional fee. You must consult the written instructions, terms and conditions listed in any an Irish Welcome Homes (B&Bs) literature and/or website provided after booking.

EUROPEAN CAR RENTAL INFORMATION: A valid U.S. driver's license is required to hire a car in Europe. All car hire in Europe includes unlimited mileage, local taxes, and third party insurance. Rental prices reflect the cost of only one driver per car, although the price of the rental may be split between multiple travelers. Additional drivers may be added to the reservation at time of pick-up and will carry an additional fee determined by the rental company. Your voucher does not constitute the rental agreement. When you pick up the vehicle, you must sign a rental agreement provided by the rental company and subject to local laws. Additional, unless specifically purchased in advance, fees may apply for rental service beyond hours of operation, one-way drop offs and equipment rental (i.e. GPS units, WiFi, car seats) All car rates are guaranteed in U.S. Dollars; all local fees are billed in local currency directly to client. Minimum and maximum age requirements exist. Please contact Sceptre Tours for up to the minute pricing and details.

FEE DISCLOSURE: A fuel surcharge for a tank of gas is assessed at the time of pick-up and refunded if the car is returned with a full tank. Any non-covered liability of the car is held on the client's credit card during the course of the rental and released after the car is returned in its original condition. All fees are subject to change without prior notification.

GOLF BOOKINGS: Handicap certificates or cards may be required at most top courses. An introductory letter from a PGA professional may be used as a substitute in some cases, once handicap is noted. Standard handicap limits are 24 for men and 36 for women. All golf is arranged as stated herein. We reserve the right to substitute golf courses listed herein for golf courses in similar categories as conditions may require. Golf courses are categorized by the opinions of Sceptre Tours staff.

BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE: Airport portage is not included unless otherwise specified in your travel documents. Due to limited capacity, your single bag should have dimensions not exceeding 30"x18"x10" and weight not exceeding 50lbs (22kg). Some airlines have more restrictive regulations than these listed above. Please refer to your Travel Documents for more information. Size and weight limitations for carry-on and checked baggage vary from airline to airline and even according to destination, and are becoming more restrictive. Some airlines are also charging fees for checked baggage, including the first checked bag, and these fees are not included in the vacation package. Please check with your airline(s) directly for baggage information and regulations. Sceptre Tours is not responsible for additional fees imposed by air carriers regarding baggage. Regulations within most airports require that travelers handle their own luggage through customs. No responsibility is accepted for loss of or damage to baggage or any of the traveler's belongings throughout the duration of the vacation. Insurance is recommended. FOR ENCHANTED JOURNEYS VACATIONS you are only entitled to one piece of main luggage of a standard size of no more than 158cm and not weighing more than 20kg (approximately 44 pounds). In addition you may bring a daypack. If you are carrying more luggage than this allowance we are within our rights to refuse to carry additional bags and you will be responsible for making alternative storage arrangements.

AIRPORT TRANSFERS: Unless specifically documented in your travel documents airport transfers are not included in your vacation. Customers not using Sceptre Tours transfers will be solely responsible for arriving at hotel by time of tour departure.

SPECIAL REQUESTS: Special requests must be confirmed as they are all subject to availability. All special requests must be made through our call center. No purchase or reservation may be canceled based on the failure of Sceptre Tours to satisfy special requests.

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