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- Windsor Castle
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- Westminster Abbey
- Jack the Ripper Tour
- Bateau Mouche
- Paris City Tour Notre Dame
- Palace of Versailles
- Funicular to Glion with Alpine Hike
- Rhine Falls
- Munich City Tour
- · BMW Museum
- Rothenburg Overview
- Volendam and Marken Tour
- Anne Frank's House
- Evening Canal Boat Tour

Options

- Stonehenge and Bath Tour
- London Theatre Performance
- · Loire Valley Tour
- · Castle of Chillon
- · Dachau Tour

Itinerary London (3), Paris (3), Montreux (2), Munich (2), Heidelberg (1), Amsterdam (2)

DAY 1 Fly overnight to London.

DAY 2 Welcome to England! Your private bus and river will escort you to Windsor Castle, the principal residence of almost every monarch since William the Conqueror.

DAY 3 LONDON Today's guided London City Tour introduces you to Piccadilly Circus, Tower Bridge, Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square, Fleet Street, the Houses of Parliament, St. Paul's Cathedral and Big Ben. Tour the formidable Westminster Abbey, site of royal weddings and coronations. Tonight, follow the cobbled alleyways of the East End on a Jack the Ripper Tour. Your expert guide will spirit you back to an era of gaslit Victorian horror.

DAY 4 LONDON Today is free for exploration. *Option:* Journey to the magical past with a tour of Stonehenge, the most important prehistoric and enigmatic monument in Britain. Then travel to Bath, a town famous for its classical architecture and remains of Roman baths dating back to 53 A.D. Evening *Option:* Attend a West End theatre performance.

DAY 5 PARIS Take the Chunnel under the English Channel and travel through the French countryside. Float past the monuments of Paris on a Bateau Mouche cruise this evening.

DAY 6 PARIS *Bonjour!* Your morning begins with a guided Paris City Tour to see the Arc de Triomphe, the Place de la Concorde, the Eiffel Tower, and visit Notre Dame Cathedral. This afternoon, tour the Château de Versailles, home of Louis XIV.

DAY 7 PARIS Today is free for exploration and discovery with your advisors. *Option:* Travel to the scenic Loire Valley for a tour of the famous châteaux that lines the peaceful river in the "garden of France."

DAY 8 MONTREUX Journey to Switzerland via Dijon and the vineyards of Burgundy. Arrive in the picturesque resort city of Montreux, portal to the Swiss Riviera.

DAY 9 MONTREUX Option: Visit the Castle of Chillon, built on a rocky islet, its towers reflected in the waters of Lake Geneva. This afternoon take a funicular to picture-perfect Glion and enjoy an exhilarating Alpine hike.

DAY 10 MUNICH Travel to Germany by way of the mighty Rhine Falls in Schaffhausen, Europe's biggest waterfall Arrive in charming Munich, capital of Bavaria, a city that likes to call itself a "world city with heart."

DAY 11 MUNICH Today's Munich City Tour includes the Marienplatz, the Flower Market, the Glockenspiel, Olympic Park, and a visit to the BMW Museum. Your afternoon is free for exploration. *Option:* Tour the Dachau Memorial, Germany's first concentration camp.

DAY 12 HEIDELBERG Transfer to Heidelberg on the Romantische Strasse or Romantic Road, passing a string of picturesque walled towns with 1,000 years of history on their cobbled streets. Your guide will provide an overview of Rothenburg, a completely preserved medieval town. Arrive in Heidelberg, an old university city on the Neckar River.

DAY 13 AMSTERDAM Travel through Koblenz, a 2,000-year-old city that lies on two majestic rivers: The Rhine and the Moselle. Cologne's twin Cathedral spires have made it the most famous architectural landmark in Germany. Cross into the Netherlands and arrive at the capital city, built on water, crisscrossed by canals with romantic old bridges, narrow streets, and beautiful old houses.

DAY 14 AMSTERDAM Tour the picturesque fishing village of Volendam to see its narrow canals and drawbridges, quaint houses and a charming little harbor. Also visit Marken to view its colorful harbor and the residents dressed in distinctive local costumes. Return to Amsterdam for a guided tour of Anne Frank's House, then glide past gabled merchants' mansions, old churches and warehouses on an Evening Canal Boat Tour.

DAY 15 DEPART Board your flight and return home with new insight into some of Europe's historical mysteries.

