# Paris & London

7 DAYS/6 NIGHTS- GROUP TRAVEL SUGGESTED ITINERARY-CAN BE CUSTOMIZED

This vacation itinerary allows your group to experience two distinctly different European capital cities and their respective charms. Often referred to as "The City of Light," Paris is an energetic, cosmopolitan capital city that somehow maintains a provincial ambience in some of its loveliest neighborhoods. In Paris one can discover the Moulin Rouge, neighborhood cafes, fashion, incredible art collections - and food markets playing host to daily shoppers and local vendors selling everything from oysters to Camembert cheese. As the capital city of England and the United Kingdom, London oozes culture, cosmopolitanism and fascinating history. Home to some of the world's best museums, a fantastic theatre scene, and beautiful city parks – some of history's best characters called London home – including Charlie Chaplin, Alfred Hitchcock, Queen Elizabeth I, and Virginia Wolff to name a few.



# **DAY I ~ PARIS**

Arrival to Paris, France's fashionable, dynamic – and very historic capital city.

Upon arrival meet your local guide in the terminal's arrival hall for a panoramic city tour of Paris' best attractions by private bus en route to the hotel. See the Arc de Triomphe, the Champs-Elysées, Notre Dame, the Hôtel Invalides, the Louvre and the River Seine. During the tour your group will also ascend either the Eiffel Tower or the Montparnasse Tower to appreciate the spectacular view of Paris in all her glory. The tour will finish at the hotel. After check -in and time to freshen up, walk to a nearby local restaurant for a Parisian group dinner.



# DAY 2 ~ PARIS

After breakfast in the hotel. your group will meet its local guide in the lobby for

a guided tour of the world renowned Louvre Museum, the most visited museum in the world. See Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa, the Nike of Samothrace and Jacques-Louis David's The Coronation of Napoleon as well as works by Titian, Raphael, Rembrandt, Caravaggio and many more.

After the museum visit, you will be dropped off in the Latin Quarter. After time for lunch on own, enjoy a 90-minute walking tour of the historic heart of Paris. Here in the 5th arrondissement, this Parisian neighborhood was happening during the Roman times on through the Middle Ages right up to the present. See the Boulevard St-Michel, the Sorbonne, the Caveau de la Huchette jazz club, the very narrow Rue du Chat-qui-Pêche and the Church of St-Étienne-du-Mont. Once the walking tour has finished, your group will be dropped back at the hotel. The evening is free to enjoy Paris.



# DAY 3 ~ PARIS

After breakfast in the hotel, your group will travel to the Palace of Versailles for

a half-day excursion. Constructed primarily in the 17th century, this magnificent royal palace was home to Marie Antoinette and Louis XIV (the Sun King). Your group will tour the chateau including the Grands Appartements, the Chapel and the Hall of Mirrors. Afterwards, there will be time to explore the palace's superb gardens before returning to Paris. The afternoon is free. All



# **INCLUSIONS**

- 3 nights in Paris
- 3 nights in London
- **Breakfast daily**
- Lunch and dinner per itinerary
- **Ground transport** via air conditioned luxury coach
- **English speaking** assistant and guides
- Admission tickets as outlined in itinerary

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- **Guided city tours of** the Louvre Museum and the Palace of Versailles
- Walking tour in Paris' historic Latin Ouarter.
- **Seine River** sightseeing cruise
- **Admission inside** the Eiffel Tower or the Montparnasse Tower.
- Panoramic tour of London's top monuments
- Guided tour of the Tower of London + guided tour of a London museum
- Cruise down the River Thames





group members should be back in the hotel by the early evening for a sightseeing cruise on the River Seine. After embarking at the base of the Eiffel Tower, see the Cathedral of Notre Dame, Ile de la Cite and the river's beautiful bridges. Once the cruise has finished, proceed to a local restaurant for a group dinner.



# DAY 4 ~ LONDON

After breakfast and checkout, your group will transfer by private bus to

the station. Travel first class by train to London, the capital of England and the United Kingdom. As the train pulls into the station, a local guide will meet your group on the platform and lead it on a panoramic city tour of London's best sites en route to the hotel. See St. Paul's Cathedral, Big Ben, Parliament, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace and more. Once the tour finishes at the hotel, group members will have free time to check in and fresh up before dining together in the hotel this evening.



# DAY 5 ~ LONDON

After breakfast in the hotel, travel by private bus with a local guide to the

fascinating Tower of London for a guided tour. The Tower's origins date back to the 11th century, and today it is an official UNESCO World Heritage Site. See the Crown Jewels, which have been on display here since the 17th century. The Tower was the site of the executions of Anne Boleyn, Lady Jane Grey, Margaret Pole and many others. After the tour, your group will have free time for lunch. Consider fish & chips or a steak & kidney pie at a local pub. After lunch, your group will walk down to the Tower Pier on the River Thames. (This is how prisoners were traditionally bought into the Tower) for a

cruise down to Westminster Pier. The private us will pick you up at the pier and return your group to the hotel. The remainder of the afternoon is free. London has an excellent theatre scene, and this evening your group will attend a theatre performance.



# **DAY 6 ~ LONDON**

After breakfast in the hotel, enjoy a guided tour of one of London's terrific

museums. Choose for example between the Victoria & Albert Museum (art & design), the British Museum (antiquities), Shakespeare's Globe Exhibition, the National Portrait Gallery or the Tate Modern (contemporary art). (Note: your group will need to decide on selected museum before departing the US). Once the museum tour has finished, enjoy free time to have lunch, shop and relax. This afternoon your group will enjoy a traditional afternoon tea. Your last evening in London is free.



#### **DAY 7 ~ LONDON**

After breakfast and checkout, your group will travel to the airport for its return

flight to the US.



For information and reservations, please see your professional travel agent