

Mediterranean flavours

Depart Cairns 4th June at 6.15PM arrive Singapore 11.00PM – silk air
Depart Singapore 5th June at 12.30AM arrive Munich 6.55AM – Singapore airlines
Depart Munich 5th June at 8.25AM arrive Madrid 11.05AM – Lufthansa

Accommodation: Cosmos hotel IN: 5th June OUT: 6th June

Commence the following tour in Madrid on the 6th June and ending in Rome on the 19th June

Arrive In Madrid, Spain

Check into your hotel. Tonight, meet your Tour Director and fellow travellers. (D)

2 Madrid

Not only is Madrid the capital of Spain, but because it is situated 2,180 feet above sea level, the Spaniards rightly say it's the nearest thing to Heaven. On the included guided city tour, discover the main sights and end the tour with a walk in the Barrio de La Latina. Stop in one of the many bars for a TAPAS TASTING. Consider an optional trip to Toledo. The splendid setting of this old walled city above the Tagus was made famous in El Greco's painting and, even now, it's like a great open-air museum of Spanish history and art. (B)

3 Madrid - Cuenca - Valencia

Travel southeast to Cuenca, perched high above the precipices of the Jucar and Huecar Rivers, famous for its "hanging houses" that are suspended over the Huecar ravine. Journey on to Valencia, Spain's third-largest city, and explore the city with a Local Guide. (B/D) Today's Distance: 255 mi/ 410 km

4 Valencia - Peniscola - Barcelona

Today, visit PENISCOLA CASTLE in Castellon, built by the Knights Templar in the 14th century. The promontory on which the castle and town are located is a fine reminder of medieval times. Continue your journey through orange groves and seaside resorts past Tarragona to Catalonia's lively and beautiful capital, Barcelona. (B) Today's Distance: 236 mi/ 380 km

5 Barcelona

Sightseeing with a Local Guide includes a drive around Monjuic to see the Olympic Stadium and a great panoramic view of the port and city. Continue to the city centre of Plaza Catalunya and to Paseo de Gracia to admire the greatness and eccentricity of Gaudi's architectural masterpieces in the Houses Batllo and Mila and the Sagrada Familia (entrance fees not included). Spend the afternoon at leisure. (B)

6 Barcelona - Collioure, France - Marseille

Leave Spain today and cross the border into France to visit Collioure. This picturesque village is nestled in an idyllic place on the rocky Mediterranean coastline and is sheltered by the Pyrenees. Carry on to the oldest city in France, Marseille, for an overnight. (B/D) Today's Distance: 354 mi/ 570 km

7 Marseille - Cassis - French Riviera

Capital of the Provence, Marseille was founded by the Greeks in 600 BC. See the city's bustling ancient heart-the picturesque Vieux Port (old port), where elegant markets and handsome townhouses surround the boat-filled harbour. Then, head for the hilltop BASILICA NOTRE DAME DE LA GARDE, with stunning views of the city. Follow the coastal route toward Cassis, a small fishing port lined with cafes and restaurants, and stop to explore the town before reaching Nice. Later, why not join the optional Monte-Carlo-by-Night excursion? (B) Today's Distance: 143 mi/ 230 km

8 French Riviera. Excursion To Eze

Start the day with a visit to a PERFUME WORKSHOP in Eze. Later, spend time at leisure to do as you please! in Nice, dabble in the Mediterranean Sea, stroll along the famous Promenade des Anglais, or join our optional excursion to the artists' town of St. Paul de Vence. (B) Today's Distance: 19 mi/ 30 km

9 French Riviera - Cinque Terre Area, Italy

Enjoy the wonderful coastal scenery along the French and Italian Rivas as you travel toward Cinque Terre. Take the TRAIN in Levanto and stop in some of the most enchanting villages of the spectacular Cinque Terre region, where the beauty of the rugged cliffs and romantic fishing villages once inspired Lord Byron. There are several breathtaking trails carved into the rocks connecting the villages, affording dramatic sea views. (B/D) Today's Distance: 205 mi/ 330 km

10 Cinque Terre Area - Verona - Venice Area

Travel through areas of culinary excellence in the Po plains to reach the romantic city of Verona and enjoy some time at leisure. Continue to the Venice area, where you will spend two nights. (B) Today's Distance: 273 mi/ 440 km

11 Venice

Venice is a city of unparalleled beauty and a feast of wonderful sights. Your included orientation starts with a BOAT RIDE to St. Mark's Square and is followed by time at leisure and a chance to watch VENETIAN GLASSBLOWERS fashion their delicate objects as they did centuries ago. Don't miss out on the optional gondola trip, gliding along the picturesque canals with a local troubadour to serenade you. (B/D)

12 Venice Area - Assisi - Rome

Cross the Po Delta and head into the verdant Apennines to medieval Assisi. Enclosed by ramparts, little has changed since the Middle Ages. This is the town of the deeply mystical and poetic ST. FRANCIS. See the UPPER and LOWER BASILICA with the beautiful frescoes by Giotto, then head for Rome. (B) Today's Distance: 342 mi/ 550 km

13 Rome

The "Eternal City" is steeped in history, vibrantly alive and exciting, and absolutely unique! included sightseeing with a Local Guide starts with St. Peter's Square and Basilica. Other highlights are the iconic Colosseum, the largest amphitheatre ever built, and Circus Maximus. An optional visit is available to the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel, world famous for Michelangelo's impressive fresco of The Last Judgment. (B)

14 Rome

Your holiday ends with breakfast this morning. (B)

Depart Rome by rail on the 19th June to Florence

Accommodation: Paris Hotel IN: 19th June OUT: 21st June

A special day in Tuscany, Pisa, Siena and San Gimignano on the 20th June

Depart Florence by rail on the 21st June to Milan

Accommodation: Contessa Iolanda Hotel and Residence Milano IN: 21st June OUT: 24th June

Lake Como and Lugana on the 22nd June

Bernina train and St Moritz on the 23rd June

Depart Milan 24th June at 1.00PM arrive Singapore 25th June at 7.00AM – Singapore airlines
Depart Singapore 25th June at 8.45AM arrive Cairns 5.25PM – silk air

Cost per person \$6049.00 and includes the following:

- Airfares
- Airport taxes
- 1 nights accommodation in Madrid
- 14 day tour including breakfast daily, 5 dinners and sightseeing as per itinerary
- Rail between Rome to Florence and Milan
- 2 nights accommodation in Florence
- Day tour to Tuscany
- 3 nights accommodation in Milan
- Day tour to Como and Lugana
- Day tour on Bernina express