

London & Paris

Day One

Board your overnight flight to London!

Day Two

Arrive in London

Guided Tour of London

Your experience with this city begins with a guided orientation tour. See **Piccadilly Circus, Trafalgar Square, Parliament, Big Ben, Whitehall, Downing Street, Westminster Abbey, and Buckingham Palace** to name only a few. Learn about the city layout and the Underground system so you will be ready to explore your surroundings.

Enjoy a Trip on the London Eye

Take a turn on this fascinating landmark, the largest Ferris wheel in all of Europe, enjoying a fantastic view out across the city from the bank of the River Thames.

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Day Three

Visit to Buckingham Palace

Throw yourself into the pageantry of the **Changing of the Guard** at **Buckingham Palace**, both the office and London residence of Her Majesty the Queen. It is one of the few working royal palaces remaining in the world today, patrolled by the famously regimented Queen's Guard.

Visit to Westminster Abbey

This historic, great church should not be missed when visiting London. Its consecration predated the Invasion of 1066 AD, and has been the setting for every Coronation since. Experience the cloisters and nave, which are always open provided a service is not occurring.

Audio Tour of the British Museum

Get lost in this amazing museum which houses a collection of seven million objects representing the

rich history of human cultures and mirrors the city of London's global variety.

Visit to St. Paul's Cathedral

Travel through Trafalgar Square to arrive at this cathedral, famous for being the focus of public mourning for heroes such as Admiral Nelson, the Duke of Wellington and Winston Churchill. Happier occasions have also been hosted at **St. Paul's**, including a 1789 service to celebrate George III's return to good health, and a similar one in 1872 for the recovery of Edward, Prince of Wales.

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Day Four

Visit to the Tower of London

Take the Underground to visit this breath taking landmark, one that has served a variety of functions in its time, being utilized as everything from a royal palace to a prison.

Tour of the National Gallery

This magnificent gallery features one of the world's greatest collections of Western European paintings. Artists from Giotto, of the late thirteenth century, to Picasso, of the early twentieth, are all represented in this skillfully arranged collection.

Transfer to Paris

Overnight in Paris

Day Five

Guided Tour of Paris

Discover the City of Lights during an informative three hour guided tour. Visits include the marvelous monuments of Paris, including **Pont-Neuf, Ile de la Cité, the Notre Dame Cathedral, La Bastille, the Arc de Triomphe, Champs Elysées, Chaillot Palace, the Eiffel Tower, Les Invalides, Concorde Square, Madeleine, l'Opéra, and the Place des Pyramides**. Learn about the layout of Paris, its twenty arrondissements and the Métro system that is readily available for easy travel across the city.

Visit to the Sacre Coeur Church

Travel to **Montmartre** to experience this beautiful Romano Byzantine place of worship. Construction began in the 1870's and ended in 1914, highlight by a scenic view of the charming **Montmartre** area available from the top of the church. The area has long been associated with the arts, with street artists putting on delightful shows to survive on the tourists that flock to the area.

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Day Six

Guided Tour of the Musee de Louvre

This tour provides the opportunity to see the famous work of Leonardo da Vinci, including the **Mona Lisa**, and other accomplished artists of the Renaissance and Reformation periods.

Visit to the Eiffel Tower

This most famous landmark of Paris is a marvel of modern engineering. Those feeling daring can take the elevator to the third level and look down over the Parisian landscape from a bird's eye view.

Visit to Charles de Gaulle Etoile

The highlight of this afternoon visit is unquestionably the **Arc de Triomphe** in all of its glory. Walking along the **Champs Elysees** afterwards you will encounter couture houses such as Chanel, Cartier, Yves St Laurent and Pierre Cardin.

Cruise on the River Seine

Enjoy a relaxing cruise along the **River Seine** on the famous **Bateaux Mouches** before taking the rest of the day to revisit any sites you particularly enjoyed or relax in Paris on your final evening.

Day Seven

Transfer to Airport for Return Flight

Your tour guide assists with your transfer to the airport, where you'll check in for your return flight home.

