

Paris & London

Day One

Board your overnight flight to Paris!

Day Two

Arrive in Paris

Guided Tour of Paris

Discover the City of Lights! Hop on board your guided coach tour where you'll experience landmarks such as **Pont-Neuf, Notre Dame Cathedral, Arc de Triomphe, Chaillot Palace, the Eiffel Tower** and **L'Opera**.

Overnight in Paris

Day Three

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 Charles de Gaulle Etoile

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

Overnight in Paris

Day Four

Guided Tour of the Musee de Orsay

This converted railway station holds mainly French art dating from 1848 to 1915, including paintings, sculptures, furniture, and photography by such artists such as Monet, Manet, Degas, Renoir, Cezanne, Seurat, Gauguin and Van Gogh.

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 the Hôtel des Invalides

A short walk down the pleasant **Champ de Mars** will bring you to the Hôtel des Invalides, founded by Louis XIV in 1674 to house wounded veterans. Only a small number live there today, but the building is home to one of the world's foremost military museums which you will have the opportunity to explore.

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 discover Paris at your own pace.

Overnight in Paris

Day Five

Transfer to Versailles

Visit to the Palace de Versailles

One of France's most celebrated landmarks awaits as you leave central Paris to experience the beautiful **Palace de Versailles**. This incredible 17th century palace and surrounding gardens were built when Versailles was a modest country village. Your tour will take you across these stunning and historically rich grounds, where you will also experience the **Grand Apartment, The Hall of Mirrors** and the **King and Queen's suites**.

Leisure Time in the Marais Quarter

Once a swamp, this area of Paris grew steadily in importance in the 14th century by virtue of its proximity to the Louvre. Charles V moved the French court here from Ile de la Cité for its scenic view and proximity to the center of the city. It became fashionable for the rich to visit **Place des Vosges**, often referred to as the most beautiful square in the world. These beautiful houses today are occupied by antique shops which you may frequent during your afternoon tour.

Overnight in Paris

Day Six

Transfer to London

Guided Tour of London

Experience a half day guided walking tour of London which will include famous landmarks such as the **Houses of Parliament** and **Big Ben**.

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**.

Overnight in London

Day Seven

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.

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 the Tate Modern Gallery

Travel down the river to this impressive gallery housed in the former **Bankside Power Station**. The gallery is a spectacular display of international modern art, dating back from the 1900's to the present day.

Overnight in London

Day Eight

Visit to the Tower of London

Take the Underground to visit this breathtaking 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.

Leisure Time in London

The rest of the day is yours to spend how you see fit, shopping at the fashionable London boutiques, having an extravagant dinner or continuing to take in the sights and sounds of the city.

Overnight in London

Day Nine

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.

