



# BEST OF Europe

19 DAY TOUR OF FRANCE, ITALY, CROATIA AND MORE, WITH FLIGHTS INCLUDED.

From  
**\$4799\***  
per person twin share  
**16 NIGHTS**



Ancient cities, stunning natural beauty, and incredible architecture – this trip through Europe has it all. You'll be spoiled for choice with the very best of Europe on this land and sea journey. There's always something to do, and always something new to explore. Discover Paris, the French Riviera, Venice and much more on this once in a lifetime trip.

## At a glance

Experience the best of Europe on this 19 day journey. See the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral on a city tour of Paris, travel to Cannes and visit Nice on the stunning French Riviera. After your fill of France, wander the winding streets of Venice and explore the vibrant cliffside town of Cinque Terre before soaking up the sun on the island of Mykonos. With return flights, 9 nights in hotel accommodation, a 7 night Mediterranean cruise aboard MSC Poesia, and much more, this trip will be unforgettable.

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Offer available for a limited time  
or until sold out.



## The itinerary

### Day 1

#### Australia – Paris

Today you'll depart from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth for your flight to Paris, France. Fly with Emirates, Etihad Airways, Finnair, Qantas Airways, British Airways or Cathay Pacific, with all meals included.

### Day 2

#### Welcome to Paris

Upon your arrival you'll be taken to your hotel, then you can enjoy the rest of the day however you like in this beautiful city.

*Overnight:* Median Paris Porte de Versailles, Paris.

### Day 3

#### Paris city tour

Enjoy a full day of sightseeing including the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, the Seine river bridges, Arc de Triomphe, Champs Elysees, Place de la Concorde and the neighbourhood of Saint Germain.

*Overnight:* Median Paris Porte de Versailles, Paris.

*Meals included:* breakfast.

### Day 4

#### Paris – Cannes

Travel on the TGV high speed train to Cannes. The city is known around the world for its annual Film Festival and luxury hotels and restaurants. Start your adventure through the French Riviera with a scenic drive to Nice.

*Overnight:* Ibis Nice Palais de Congres Vieux, Nice.

*Meals included:* breakfast.

### Day 5

#### Nice – Monaco – Genoa

Explore Nice with a panoramic tour before driving to Monaco. You'll get to see Monte Carlo, with its famous casino and enjoy a coach tour of the famous Formula 1 Grand Prix road. Then you'll continue on to Italy and spend the night in Genoa.

*Overnight:* CIT Hotel Britannia, Genoa.

*Meals included:* breakfast.

### Day 6

#### Genoa – Cinque Terre – Tuscany

Begin your morning with a scenic drive to the stunning Cinque Terre region. With your tour manager you'll board the local train and visit the famous villages of Riomaggiore, Manarola and Vernazza. Afterwards, drive to Pisa region and spend the evening in the Lucca area of Tuscany.

✦ The Cinque Terre or "The Five Lands" are famous for their natural beauty, steep cliffs and mountainous terrain extending inland. Plus, the villages and carefully terraced land have kept their original charm.

*Overnight:* Eurostars Toscana Hotel or Relais San Lorenz, Lucca Area.

*Meals included:* breakfast

### Day 7

#### Tuscany – Pisa – Florence

Take in the unique leaning tower of Pisa before heading to Florence. In the afternoon you'll enjoy a walking tour of the historical centre and view Santa Maria Novella, Ponte Vecchio, the Duomo and Piazza della Signoria.

*Overnight:* Hotel Ibis Firenze Nord Airport, Florence.

*Meals included:* breakfast.



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### Day 8

#### Florence – Bologna – Venice

After breakfast you'll drive to Bologna to enjoy lunch (not included) and free time to walk around this lively and historic city. Afterwards, continue on to Venice and enjoy an afternoon exploring the Piazza San Marco and an opportunity to experience a gondola ride (not included).

**+** Bologna has given its name to the well-known Bolognese sauce, a meat based pasta sauce called ragù alla bolognese in Italian.

*Overnight:* Park Hotel Villa Giustinian Mirano, Venice Area.

*Meals included:* breakfast.

### Day 9

#### Venice city tour

Enjoy a full day in Venice, beginning with a walk along the canals and discover why this city is considered among the most romantic ones around the world. See the Rialto bridge, Doge's Palace, Torre dell' Orologio and get a vaporetto ticket (not included) to cruise down the Grand Canal.

*Overnight:* Park Hotel Villa Giustinian Mirano, Venice Area.

*Meals included:* breakfast.

### Day 10

#### Venice – Greek islands cruise

After breakfast you'll head to the cruise terminal and embark on your magical MSC cruise for the next 7 nights through the Greek islands.

*Overnight:* MSC Cruise Lines - 'MSC Poesia' ship.

*Meals included:* breakfast, lunch and dinner.

### Day 11

#### Italy

Discover the ancient city of Bari on an excursion (not included) through mind bending streets.

*Overnight:* MSC Cruise Lines - 'MSC Poesia' ship.

*Meals included:* breakfast, lunch and dinner.

### Day 12

#### Katakolon

Explore the small Greek town of Katakolon on the Adriatic coast.

**+** Katakolon is the gateway of Olympia, home to the ancient Olympic Games.

*Overnight:* MSC Cruise Lines - 'MSC Poesia' ship.

*Meals included:* breakfast, lunch and dinner.

### Day 13

#### Mykonos

Soak up the sun on the beautiful beaches of Mykonos or wander the maze of narrow streets.

*Overnight:* MSC Cruise Lines - 'MSC Poesia' ship.

*Meals included:* breakfast, lunch and dinner.

### Day 14

#### Piraeus – Athens

Head from Piraeus into the centre of Athens for a shore excursion. The ancient sites of Athens are a must see – visit the Acropolis, Parthenon and archaeological museum. Take in the views and ancient temples in old Cape Sounion or enjoy a panoramic tour of Athens from the comfort of the coach.

*Overnight:* MSC Cruise Lines - 'MSC Poesia' ship.

*Meals included:* breakfast, lunch and dinner.



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### Day 15

#### Sarandë

Situated on an open sea gulf of the Ionian Sea in the Mediterranean, Saranda or Sarandë is a top tourist attraction of the Albanian Riviera. Home to the gateway of the remains of ancient city Burint, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Other great attractions include The Blue Eye, a natural deep spring, and Ksamil where the locals go to swim in beautiful beaches.

*Overnight:* MSC Cruise Lines - 'MSC Poesia' ship.

*Meals included:* breakfast, lunch and dinner.

### Day 16

#### Dubrovnik

A walled, sea-battered city lying at the foot of a mountain, Dubrovnik is Croatia's most popular cruise destination – and once you get there, you'll see why.

† The walls of Dubrovnik run almost 2 kilometres around the city and are 4 to 6 metres thick. They have also been a popular filming location for the fictional city of King's Landing in the HBO television series, *Game of Thrones*.

*Overnight:* MSC Cruise Lines - 'MSC Poesia' ship.

*Meals included:* breakfast, lunch and dinner.

### Day 17

#### Venice

This morning you'll return to Venice. Once you disembark you'll be taken back to your hotel where you can spend the day however you like, before enjoying your last night.

*Overnight:* Park Hotel Villa Giustinian Mirano, Venice Area.

*Meals included:* breakfast.

### Day 18

#### Venice – Australia

After checking out you'll have to make your own way back to the airport for your flight home. Also, if your flight departs early, we'll arrange for you to pick up your breakfast from the hotel reception the night before.

*Meals included:* breakfast and in-flight.

### Day 19

#### Arrive in Australia

*\*Please note:* some flights may arrive in Australia +1 day later.

Please see important information for more details.



## Inclusions

### Flights

- Return economy flights from SYD/MEL/BNE/ADL/PER.

### Accommodation

- 9 nights hotel accommodation on tour.

### Cruise

- 7 night MSC cruise through the Mediterranean and Greek islands.
- Sail aboard the spectacular 'MSC Poesia' ship.

### Dining

- Enjoy 30 meals including daily breakfast.

### Highlights

- Discover the best of France, Italy, Monaco, Croatia, Albania and Greece.
- Explore Paris, Cannes, Genoa, The Cinque Terre Coast, Florence, Venice and more.
- Cruise to Bari, Katakolon, Mykonos, Athens, Sarande and Dubrovnik.
- Enjoy a full day city tour of Paris to see the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe and more.
- Take the high-speed TGV train from Paris to Cannes.
- Visit Nice, the capital of the French Riviera.
- Explore the glittering city of Monaco.
- Stop in Monte Carlo home to the F1 Grand Prix.
- Discover the magic of the Cinque Terre coastline.
- Explore the villages of Riomaggiore, Manarola and Vernazza.
- Take a photo at the Leaning Tower of Pisa.
- Experience the beautiful Tuscan walled city of Lucca.
- Discover the beauty of Florence on a walking city tour; see the Duomo, Ponte Vecchio and more.

- Wander through food lovers paradise Bologna.
- Explore Venice and it's famous canals on a full day city tour.
- Experience Sarandë one of the most important tourist attractions of the Albanian Riviera.
- Visit Katakolon, the gateway of ancient Olympia.
- Soak up the history of Piraeus, the port of Athens.
- Relax on stunning Mykonos.
- Visit the medieval walled city of Dubrovnik, Croatia.

### Tour essentials

- Professional English-speaking tour leader.
- Airline and cruise taxes and surcharges.

### Transport

- Transportation by A/C vehicles.

### Transfers

- Transfer airport to hotel.
- Transfer hotel to cruise port.
- Transfer cruise port to hotel.



## Things you should know

### Booking information

After purchase, you will receive a receipt and a 'Purchase Confirmation' email. You will also be directed to an online passenger information form. You must complete your passenger information form within 72 hours of purchase.

Any special requests, preferences and optional extras must be clearly stated in your passenger information form. Any change requested after submitting your passenger information form cannot be guaranteed, is strictly subject to availability and will incur surcharges as outlined in the 'Schedule of fees' below.

On purchasing this travel offer you are bound by the suppliers standard terms and conditions in addition to the specific terms and conditions outlined in this important information.

*Please note:* all additional charges are payable direct to the NRMA.

### Offer essentials

Travel offer is valid for one person based on twin share.

#### Single supplement

For solo travellers a mandatory single supplement applies.

- Inside BELLA Cabin: \$1700.
- Ocean View FANTASTICA Cabin: \$2000.
- Balcony FANTASTICA Cabin: \$2200.

*\*Please note:* single cabins are subject to availability until the time of booking.

#### Surcharges

Please note dates/months with a \* and ^ incurs a cruise high season surcharge of \$150 per person and \$300 per person, respectively.

#### Departure cities

Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide or Perth.

#### Departure dates

26 April; 3, 10 & 24\* May; 7 & 14 June^, 16\* & 23 August, 27 September 2018

### Flights

#### Airline(s) used

Etihad Airways, Emirates, British Airways, Lufthansa, Swiss Airways, Austrian Airlines, Singapore Airlines, Qatar Airways, Air Berlin, Thai Airways, Malaysian Airlines, Cathay Pacific, Air France, KLM, Alitalia, Finnair, Air China, China Southern Airlines, China Eastern Airlines, Turkish Airlines, plus any codeshare partners (subject to availability).

#### Arrive early in Paris

- \$200 per person subject to availability.

#### *Please note:*

- This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.
- Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

#### Stay behind in Venice

\$200 per person subject to availability.

#### *Please note:*

- This fee does not include extra nights accommodation, meals or airport transfers.
- No flight booking changes or cancellations permitted after air tickets have been issued.
  - Flight changes are subject to availability at the time of booking.

#### Stopover packages

Twin share: \$450 per person/each way.

Solo traveller: \$700 each way.

#### Locations:

- \*Singapore
- \*Abu Dhabi
- \*Dubai



## Things you should know

Includes:

- 2 nights in 4 star accommodation.
- Daily breakfast.
- Return airport transfers.

### *Please note:*

- An outbound and inbound stopover may be chosen; though the stopover location must be the same each way, due to the airline used.
- Stopover packages are subject to availability.

### Flight Class upgrades

All upgrades are subject to availability – please request a quote from your consultant or include the request on your passenger information form.

## Cruises

### Cabins

All cabins are subject to availability; some cabins may have restricted views.

## Accommodation

3 star (self-rated).

- **Paris (France):** Median Paris Porte de Versailles.
- **Nice (France):** Ibis Nice Palais de Congres Vieux.
- **Genoa (Italy):** CIT Hotel Britannia.
- **Lucca Area (Italy):** Eurostars Toscana Hotel OR Relais San Lorenz.
- **Florence (Italy):** Hotel Ibis Firenze Nord Airport.
- **Venice Area (Italy):** Park Hotel Villa Giustinian Mirano.
- **Cruise:** MSC Cruises - 'MSC Poesia' ship.

*\*Please note:* rooms offered are based on a lead-in room type, and are subject to availability based on seasonality. Properties will be confirmed no later than two weeks prior to travel.

### Extra nights

- **Paris, France (pre tour):** \$250 per room including breakfast.
- **Venice, Italy (post tour):** \$150 per room including breakfast.

*Please note:* extra nights are subject to availability until the time of booking. Airport transfers are not included if you wish to arrive early or stay behind.

### Maximum room capacity

2 people.

### Child policy

- No child discounts. Full price applies for all children travelling with their parents.
- Strictly valid for children 12 years old and over.

*Please note:* children must be accompanied by a responsible adult 18 years old and over to travel. No unaccompanied minors allowed.

### Triple share

Not available.

### Bedding configuration

- **Land Tour:** double or twin bedding
- **Cruise:** twin bedding

*Please note:* bedding configuration is subject to availability.

### Adjoining rooms

Not available.

## General tour information

Minimum group size 25, maximum group size 44 per vehicle.

## Optional tours and activities

### Venice:

- **Gondola ride:** €30 (approx. \$26 AUD)
- **Doges Palace entrance:** approx. €19 (approx. \$28 AUD)



## Things you should know

### Paris:

- Louvre entrance: approx. €15 (approx. \$22 AUD).

### Please note:

- Prices are 2017 rates based on per person, subject to change based on availability, time permitting and weather conditions.
- Amounts are payable direct to the tour operator in the currency specified.
- Some tours require minimum numbers to operate.
- Shore excursions can be booked/reserved directly with the cruise line prior to travel (subject to availability).
- Shore excursions can also be booked whilst onboard (subject to availability).

## Exclusions

- Visa fees and requirements (not required for Europe if travelling on an Australian passport for stays up to 90 days).
- Meals/beverages not stated in the itinerary (including any specialty restaurants onboard cruise).
- Gratuities/tipping.
  - \***Cruise:** Mandatory at approx. €10 per person/day payable onboard at the end of the cruise.
  - \***Land:** Recommended at €5 per person/day payable to the tour director on tour.
- Mandatory city taxes/check point fees (approx. €14 payable on tour) (please note pricing is subject to change).
- Optional activities and tours (including any 'onshore' excursions as part of cruise).
- Personal expenses.
- Transfer from Hotel to Airport (day 18).
- Travel insurance (mandatory)

*Please note:* a comprehensive travel insurance policy must be organised before all details can be finalised with the NRMA.

## Other important information

### Cruise:

Disembarkation usually begins 2 hours after docking.

Due to security reasons, all guests must be on board 2 hours before sailing.

Itineraries are subject to change at any time without notice.

Check your specific sailing for exact departure and arrival times. All times are local to the port.

## Coach tour

### Meals:

Daily breakfast is included in the tour, for all other meals; lunches and dinners the tour manager will offer assistance with reservations, suggestions and directions to local restaurants. You can also enquire about any allergies and food and if necessary advise meals to be prepared with any medication you require.

### Luggage:

You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. With regards to luggage, you must carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the uploading and offloading of their luggage from the coach.

### Gratuities:

Gratuities (tips) are not included in the tour price for services of the tour manager and driver throughout the tour. The recommended tip for the tour manager and driver is €5 per person per day, which will be collected by the tour manager whilst on tour. Gratuities for the cruise are paid onboard on the last day of cruise.

### Fitness level required/mobility:

Our coaches are not equipped with wheelchair access, so unfortunately our tours are currently not suitable for wheelchair users and those less mobile.





## Things you should know

*Please note:* a reasonable level of fitness will be required. If you have any concerns please consult your healthcare provider prior to purchase/travel.

### Visas

A Tourist visa is not required for Europe for stays up to 90 days if travelling on an Australian passport

*Please note:* passengers who are not Australian citizens must check with the respective consulate or a visa agency to determine what their visa requirements are and what personal identification is required.

### Schedule of fees

#### Voluntary changes

This includes booking changes requested by you, including but not limited to those changes requiring airline ticket or travel voucher reissue.

**1st change** - \$100.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

**2nd change** - \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

**Subsequent changes** - \$250.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

**Changes within 30 days of departure** - \$350.00 person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

**Changes within 14 days of departure** - \$500.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/cruise company/other travel provider.

#### Name changes due to passenger error

If the incorrect name has been advised to the NRMA, charges of \$150.00 per person + any additional charges applied by the airline/ cruise company/other travel provider will apply.