WHERE YOU'RE GOING





#PARISTOROMETRAIN

PARIS TO ROME BY TRAIN

DAYS

Get ready for 9 mind-blowing days of utter enchantment in Europe's most romantic spots. Travelling on comfy trains, you'll have plenty of time to dive deep into every charming city. Panoramic river cruises in Paris. Serene gondola rides in Venice. Fondue dinners in Switzerland. Walking food tours in Rome. This trip will have you swooning over everything that makes Europe special.

DAY 1

PARIS

Paris

Welcome to Paris! Starting off with a bangin' welcome dinner, you'll get to know your crew at a local restaurant this evening. Then we'll set sail on a Seine river cruise to see the City of Love sparkle in all its glory at night. This is what love at first sight feels like!

Meals

Dinner

Hotel

Ibis Nation Davout (or similar)

Included Experiences

• Cruise down the River Seine

What could be better than sailing down the Seine with the Contiki crew, taking in all the chic Paris landmarks? Sign us up!

DAY 2

PARIS

Paris

Cuisine and cabaret day. We'll start this morning with an optional patisserie walking tour, winding our way around the cutest bakeries in Paris, sampling dreamy pastries as we go. You've got some free time in afternoon. Then, it's off to a Paris cabaret show, with dinner and champagne to really switch on the sophistication.

Meals

Breakfast

Hotel

Ibis Nation Davout (or similar)

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

See the Patisseries of Paris -

They say you haven't been to Paris if you haven't tried a chocolate éclair... & maybe a croissant... & perhaps a macaron! Tick off all three of these 'must do food items of France' & more on this tour through the best Patisseries of Paris. The French aren't famous for their food for no reason, it's delicious. We're salivating just thinking about it!

Adult: 26.00 EUR

Nouvelle Eve Cabaret Dinner and Show -

Get your glad rags on... it's time for a night out at the Parisian cabaret. The exciting atmosphere of the evening show is the perfect way to toast your travels with the group over a French meal. From your lamp-lit table, you'll feast your eyes on a succession of feathers, sequins, can-can girls, acrobats, and comedians – all while dining on a three-course meal and sipping on delicious French champagne.

Adult: 140.00 EUR

DAY₃

PARIS TO LAUSANNE

Paris

Setting off on our first train ride of this trip, we'll say goodbye to Paris this morning.

Lausanne

It doesn't take long for Lausanne to captivate you with its beauty. Luckily, you've got some free time to take it all in. Afterwards, you can join us for a seriously good Swiss Fondue dinner.

Meals

Breakfast

Hotel

Ibis Lausanne Centre (or similar)

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Indulge in a cheesy dinner -

Share a lip-smacking fondue and bread dinner with your crew in the mountains. When in Switzerland, right?

DAY 4

LAUSANNE TO MILAN

Lausanne

Yes, we know. The train ride is super comfy. But trust us, you don't wanna sleep through this one. Today we'll ride along the scenic Simplon rail route to Italy - passing by jaw-dropping vistas of lakes, castles and tunnels on the way.

Milan

Hello Milan! The only thing on the agenda this afternoon is chilling. And possibly sipping aperitivo in Navigli (just like the locals). That's how we roll.

Meals

Breakfast

Hotel

A conveniently located hotel

Included Experiences

• Ride the world-famous Simplon rail route

Cameras at the ready! You'll see the mighty Alps, gorgeous lakes and historic castles all en route this epic train ride.

DAY 5

MILAN TO VENICE

Milan

It's been short and sweet. With no time to waste, we'll hop back on a train to see the world-famous floating city.

Venice

Your bags? Drop 'em at our hotel. Today, we're riding a Motoscafo to the island. Later tonight, you'll have the chance to try traditional Venetian food right in its home.

Meals

Breakfast

Hotel

A conveniently located hotel

Included Experiences

• Cruise on a Motoscafo to Venice

Speed across the lagoon to the aqueous island of Venice.

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Traditional Tastes of Venice -

Eating the true Venetian way - our local expert will take you bar hopping, sampling various circhetti (Venetian style tapas) & wines at a host of locations off the beaten track. Get a real insight in to local life & the flavours of Venice.

Adult: 44.00 EUR

DAY 6

VENICE

Venice

You've got a free day today, folks. Choose to learn how to ride a gondola (taught by literal experts). Or just take your time exploring the island. Bored doesn't exist here.

Meals

Breakfast

Hotel

A conveniently located hotel

Included Experiences

• Cruise on a Motoscafo to Venice

Speed across the lagoon to the aqueous island of Venice.

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Gondolas -

See Venice from the canals in a gondola. From magnificent palazzi in the distance to the locals' laundry strung across the backwaters, Venice's charm gets you at every turn.

Adult: 29.00 EUR

How to be a Gondelieri MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience -

Learn the history & skills of one of Venice's most iconic professions with a gondolier training. During this unique experience discover the ancient history of gondoliering & learn the basics of manoeuvring the traditional wooden boats. Under the watchful eye of your professional gondolier instructor, practice standing up & paddling on a training 'gondoletto' through some of Venice's less-trafficked canals & out into the open Venetian Lagoon.

Adult: 48.00 EUR

DAY 7

VENICE TO ROME

Venice

Venice, you've been very nice. But we've got one last Italian spot to tick off. Hop on!

Rome

One look is all it takes for you to know why this place is loved by so many. This afternoon, we'll tour Rome's cobblestoned streets on foot. And if you're still interested in more - a local guide will show you around the Colosseum and the Roman Forum. Dinner's on us tonight. So come join us at a local restaurant for some soul-satisfying Italian food.

Meals

Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel

Hotel Genova (or similar)

Included Experiences

• Tour Rome on Foot

Stroll around the Italian capital, ticking off some sights on your bucket list!

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Emperors & Gladiators inc Colosseum -

Wander through the ruins of the ancient Roman Empire's political heart, while our Local Guide peels back the layers of history & reconstructs the past. From the assassinations at the Forum to the bloody battles in the Colosseum, learn how the roots of Western culture started here. Subject to availability - if Colosseum tickets are not available for your trip, the alternative Ancient Rome of the Emperors tour will be offered.

Adult: 52.00 EUR

Ancient Rome of the Emperors -

Discover the wonders of ancient Rome by embarking on a captivating tour of the Roman Forum and Palatine Hill. Immerse yourself in history as you explore the iconic ruins and archaeological treasures. Take in the best view of the Colosseum as your local guide brings these ancient sites to life.

Adult: 42.00 EUR

DAY 8

ROME

Rome

Historic spots, foodie shops, photo ops - you're free to do whatever you want today. May we recommend a food tour to explore Rome's best restaurants with the group this evening? It's your final full day of this trip after all...

Meals

Breakfast

Hotel

Hotel Genova (or similar)

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Taste your way through Rome -

Ready for an ultimate culinary journey? We'll take to the streets of Rome for a Eating Europe Food Tour! You'll discover the decadent flavours of Testaccio (Rome's foodie hub). We'll stop by at traditional trattorias and check out hidden gems (that only our local guides know about) - all with an intimate group of foodies. It's a colossal party for your tastebuds.

Adult: 60.00 EUR

DAY 9

ROME

Rome

All good things come to an end. And so does this trip. Bid your final farewells to your crew. But not before you munch on your final included breakfast (and reminisce of the best 9 days of your life!).

Meals

Breakfast