

# EUROPEAN ENCOUNTER

NEW & IMPROVED ITINERARY



## WHY THIS TRIP?

Swing by Amsterdam, explore the canals of Venice, eat your way through Italy and top it all off with the can-can at a traditional French Cabaret.



#EUENCOUNTER

**WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW**



**NIGHTS**  
15 nights twin or triple-share hotel accommodation



**INCLUDED MEALS**  
15 breakfasts (B), 6 dinners (D)



**INCLUSIONS**  
An experienced & professional Trip Manager & Driver team  
Modern, air-conditioned coach with power outlets for charging  
See p.173 for more



**ME TIME OPTIONS**  
M Lake Cruise, Lucerne  
M Cabaret Show & Dinner, Paris  
M Emperors & Gladiators inc. Colosseum, Rome



**NO REGRETS EXPERIENCES**  
• See the East Side Gallery in Berlin  
• Private motorboat ride through the historic islands of Venice



**FREE WIFI**  
Available on all Contiki coaches

DISCOVERER

**YOUR TRIP**

**DAY 1: Start London or Amsterdam.**

Ferry across the English Channel & head to the free-wheeling, vibrant city of Amsterdam via Belgium. (D)

- See the White Cliffs of Dover
- See Amsterdam's canals & gable houses by night

**DAY 2: Amsterdam to Berlin.** Motor down the autobahn & get ready for a dose of über-cool in Berlin. Tonight, enjoy this cutting-edge city's exploding arts, bar & club scene. (B,D)

- See the Tiergarten, Alexanderplatz, Russian War Memorial, Brandenburg Gate & historic Reichstag building

**DAY 3: Berlin.** Savour the mix of old & new in this ever-changing city. You'll find historical significance in everything from the streets to the grand monuments. (B)

- See the site of Checkpoint Charlie
- M Locally guided historical walking tour of Berlin

**DAY 4: Berlin to Prague.** Bite into some local fare, like bratwurst, in Dresden on your way south to Prague, an ever modernising hub of Eastern European revival. (B,D)

- Take in commemorative artwork & the remains of the Berlin Wall
- Visit the city of Dresden destroyed in World War II & known as the 'Florence of the North'
- See the rebuilt Baroque architecture of the Royal Residence, Zwinger Palace, Opera House & Frauenkirche in Dresden

**DAY 5: Prague.** Snake through this medieval city's maze of cobblestone streets & discover Gothic architecture, bargain-priced beer & Bohemian crystal beads. (B)

- See Hradčany Castle, the Cathedral of St. Vitus, Charles Bridge & Wenceslas Square
- Visit the Old Town Square & see the Astronomical Clock
- Bike ride of Bohemian Prague with our local expert

**DAY 6: Prague to Salzburg.** Head south to picture-perfect Salzburg, home to Mozart & The Sound of Music. (B)

**DAY 7: Salzburg to Venice.** Wind through both the Austrian & Italian Alps into Italy. Meander through the 'floating city' & find grand squares, art-filled palazzos & interesting little shops. (B)

**DAY 8: Venice to Rome.** Say farewell to the canals & gondolas of Venice, before reaching the jaw-dropping sights of ancient Rome. (B,D)

- See the Colosseum, the Roman Forum, Piazza Venezia, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon & Piazza Navona

**DAY 9: Rome.** Tap into 'La Dolce Vita' of the "Eternal City" & explore this living museum of history. Later, there's a chance to delve into history with a tour of the Vatican museums including the Sistine Chapel. (B)

- See St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City
- M Guided tour of Vatican

**DAY 10: Rome to Florence.** Pass through rural Umbria's rolling hills & vineyards to Renaissance Florence. A Local Guide gives you the inside track on the city's striking buildings & sacred art. (B)

- See the Duomo, Basilica Santa Croce, Giotto's Bell Tower, the Baptistery & Piazza della Signoria
- Florentine leather craft demonstration
- M Tuscan evening

**DAY 11: Florence to Italian Riviera.** This morning after a visit to the iconic Leaning Tower of Pisa, we arrive at the Italian Riviera where you will be provided with a day pass to explore the stunning five lands of the Cinque Terre at your leisure. (B)

- Day pass to explore the magical 'Cinque Terre'
- See the Leaning Tower of Pisa

**DAY 12: Italian Riviera to Lucerne.** Catch a glimpse of Lake Como before

arriving in Lucerne, nestled in the Swiss Alps. (B,D)

- Scenic alpine drive
- See the wooden Chapel Bridge in Lucerne

**DAY 13: Lucerne.** Breathe in the alpine beauty of this lakeside town as you spend the day exploring. Wander the cobble streets of this gorgeous mountain setting & shop for goods that Switzerland is known for – watches, chocolate & Swiss Army knives. (B)

M Swiss Mountain

**DAY 14: Lucerne to Paris.** Pass through the vineyards of Burgundy to the "City of Lights". Hotel (B,D)

- See the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, the Louvre, the Champs-Élysées & Notre Dame Cathedral

**DAY 15: Paris.** Indulge in sophisticated Paris where you'll find magic, romance & history amongst the city's legendary icons. (B)

M Cabaret show & dinner

**DAY 16: Depart Paris.** Morning transfer to Paris CDG Airport (est. arr. 10:00am) or choose to take a complimentary transfer to central London & extend your stay. (B)



**SAVE PAY EARLY & SAVE UP TO US\$290**

**HOW MUCH & WHEN**

**SUMMER 2017 CODE: BBHX**

Start	Finish	Total	Start	Finish	Total
London or Ams'dam	Paris or London	Cost US\$ pp*	London or Ams'dam	Paris or London	Cost US\$ pp*
<b>2017</b>					
Apr 14	Apr 29	2685	Jun 30	Jul 15	2919
Apr 28	May 13	2685	Jul 7	Jul 22	2919
May 5	May 20	2755	Jul 14	Jul 29	2919
May 19	Jun 3	2825	Jul 21	Aug 5	2919
May 26	Jun 10	2825	Aug 4	Aug 19	2919
Jun 2	Jun 17	2825	Aug 11	Aug 26	2825
Jun 9	Jun 24	2825	Aug 25	Sep 9	2825
Jun 16	Jul 1	2919	Sep 1	Sep 16	2825
Jun 21	Jul 6	2919	Sep 15	Sep 30	2825
Jun 23	Jul 8	2919	Sep 29	Oct 14	2825
Jun 28	Jul 13	2919			

**WINTER 2017/18 CODE: WWHZ**

Start	Finish	Total	Start	Finish	Total
London or Ams'dam	Paris or London	Cost US\$ pp*	London or Ams'dam	Paris or London	Cost US\$ pp*
<b>2017</b>					
Oct 21	Nov 5	2279	Dec 30 *	Jan 14	2315
Nov 4	Nov 19	2245			
Nov 11	Nov 26	2245	<b>2018</b>		
Nov 25	Dec 10	2245	Jan 6	Jan 21	2315
Dec 2 *	Dec 17	2245	Jan 20	Feb 4	2185
Dec 6 *	Dec 21	2245	Feb 3	Feb 18	2185
Dec 10 *	Dec 25	2245	Feb 17	Mar 4	2185
Dec 16 *	Dec 31	2315	Mar 3	Mar 18	2185
Dec 23 *	Jan 7	2315	Mar 17	Apr 1	2225
Dec 28 *	Jan 12	2315			

**THE FINER DETAILS**

\* Prices above are based on twin-share. If you're travelling solo, we can share you with a same sex room-mate at no extra cost (either twin or triple-share).

BBHX - Summer 2017 Single room supplement of US\$695.

WWHZ - Winter 2017/18 Single room supplement of US\$569.

Triple-share reduction of 5% is available based on twin-share trip price.

Trip starts 7:30am (7:00am in winter) in London or 5:00pm in Amsterdam & ends approx. 10:00am at Paris CDG Airport or approx. 6:30pm in London.

★ This trip visits cities during the Christmas markets.

For more ways to save see p.11.

For departure points & stay longer accommodation options see [contiki.com/staylonger](http://contiki.com/staylonger)

For travel insurance see p.171.

For details of winter trips between Oct 2016 - Mar 2017, speak to Contiki or your travel agent.