

# EUROPEAN QUEST



**WHY THIS TRIP?**  
 Dream of visiting the picturesque Cinque Terre & beautiful San Sebastian? Visit these & so much more on the trip that blows travellers' minds year on year.



**25 DAYS • 10 COUNTRIES FROM US\$2875<sup>PP\*</sup> US\$115<sup>P/DAY\*</sup>**

**SAVE PAY EARLY & SAVE UP TO US\$200**

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

**24 NIGHTS**  
 24 nights in quad-share hotel/hostel accommodation

**34 INCLUDED MEALS**  
 24 breakfasts (B), 10 dinners (D)

**INCLUSIONS**  
 See p.54 for more info on our standard inclusions.

**ME TIME OPTIONS**  
**M** Parisian Dinner, Paris  
**M** Guided Bike Ride, Prague  
**M** Historical Walking Tour, Berlin

**NO REGRETS EXPERIENCES**  
 • Exclusive 'Paris by Night' tour  
 • Train along the Cinque Terre  
 • Explore Florence on foot with our Local Guide  
 • Special access Rome sightseeing tour

**FREE WIFI**  
 Available on all Contiki coaches

**DAY 1: London to Paris.** Meet up with your Contiki Team this morning in London (or later this afternoon in Paris). Ferry across the English Channel & onward travel past the World War I battlefields to Paris. (D)

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

**DAY 2: Paris.** Indulge in sophisticated Paris where you'll find magic, romance & history amongst the city's legendary icons. (B)

**M** French cabaret show & champagne

**DAY 3: Paris to Bordeaux.** Cut through the Loire Valley, and pass rolling vineyards en route to Bordeaux, home to the world-famous wine region. (B)

- Visit the town famous for its wine

**DAY 4: Bordeaux to San Sebastian.** We head south to the stunning Basque city of San Sebastian. (B,D)

**DAY 5: San Sebastian.** Time to explore! Get a piece of the action in the lively town centre, check out the city's famous pintxos bars or take a stroll along the stunning seafront. (B)

- See the Parte Vieja, Playa de la Concha and Centro Romántico

**DAY 6: San Sebastian to Barcelona.** Today we'll be leaving the northern coastline behind and heading to the vibrant city of Barcelona. (B)

- See Gaudi's Sagrada Família & the 1992 Olympic Games complex

**M** Flamenco show with dinner

**DAY 7: Barcelona.** It's time for food, fiesta, fashion & fun! Admire the Gothic architecture, see some of the world's most beautiful art, or take in Barcelona's buzzing street life. (B,D)

- Walk through the Gothic Quarter & La Rambla district

**DAY 8: Barcelona to Nice.** Travel through the charmingly rustic region of Provence to the glamorous French Riviera. (B,D)

- Scenic drive along the Côte d'Azur

**DAY 9: Nice.** Do as the locals do – stroll through outdoor markets & shop the upscale boutiques. Later, rub shoulders with the rich & famous in Monaco! (B)

- Visit a French perfumery
- See the Royal Palace in Monaco
- Visit a Monte Carlo casino

**M** Dinner near the Royal Palace

**DAY 10: Nice to Cinque Terre.** Travel along the coast to take in the seaside setting of the colourful Cinque Terre, the beauty of the region & indulge in some tasty local food & wine. (B)

- Visit Monterosso & enjoy a trip along the Cinque Terre

**DAY 11: Cinque Terre to Florence.** To Pisa's famous architectural wonder & then on to Renaissance Florence where a Local Guide gives you the inside track on striking buildings & sacred art in one of Italy's most atmospheric cities. (B)

- See the Leaning Tower of Pisa

## HOW MUCH & WHEN

**WINTER 2017/18 CODE: WWEQ**

Start	Finish	Trip	Food	Total
London or Paris	Ams'dam or London	US\$ pp*	Fund US\$ pp*	Cost US\$ pp*
<b>2017</b>				
Oct 18	Nov 11	2659	330	2989
Oct 20	Nov 13	2659	330	2989
Oct 27	Nov 20	2659	330	2989
Nov 1	Nov 25	2619	330	2949
Nov 3	Nov 27	2619	330	2949
Nov 10	Dec 4	2619	330	2949
Nov 17	Dec 11	2619	330	2949
Nov 24	★ Dec 18	2619	330	2949
Dec 1	★ Dec 25	2619	330	2949
Dec 8	★ Jan 1	2619	330	2949
Dec 13	★ Jan 6	2619	330	2949
Dec 15	★ Jan 8	2725	330	3055
Dec 21	★ Jan 14	2725	330	3055
Dec 27	★ Jan 20	2725	330	3055
Dec 30	† Jan 23	2725	330	3055
<b>2018</b>				
Jan 5	Jan 29	2725	330	3055
Jan 12	Feb 5	2725	330	3055
Jan 19	Feb 12	2545	330	2875
Jan 26	Feb 19	2545	330	2875
Feb 9	Feb 26	2545	330	2875
Feb 16	Mar 5	2545	330	2875
Feb 23	Mar 12	2545	330	2875
Mar 6	Mar 26	2545	330	2875
Mar 13	Apr 2	2545	330	2875
Mar 16	Apr 9	2595	330	2925
Mar 23	Apr 16	2595	330	2925

\* Prices are based on quad-share accommodation, for more information see p.54.  
 No sleeping bag is required as bed linen is provided.  
 You need to bring your own towel on this trip.  
 Trip starts 7:00am in London or 5:00pm in Paris & ends approx. 10:00am at Amsterdam Schiphol Airport or 6:30pm in London.  
 • Spend New Year's Eve in Amsterdam.  
 ■ Spend New Year's Eve in Prague.  
 ▲ Spend New Year's Eve in Venice.  
 ◆ Spend New Year's Eve in Florence.  
 ★ Spend New Year's Eve in San Sebastian.  
 † Spend New Year's Eve in Paris.  
 ★ This trip visits cities during the Christmas markets.  
 For departure points & stay longer accommodation options see [contiki.com/staylonger](http://contiki.com/staylonger). For travel insurance see p.54.

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

**DAY 12: Florence to Sorrento.** Travel south through Umbria & Lazio via the picturesque Bay of Naples to Sorrento. (B)

**DAY 13: Sorrento.** Chill out on the Isle of Capri. Be amazed at the natural beauty, stroll through the hillside town of Anacapri or sip on a café al fresco with the locals. (B,D)

- Day trip to Isle of Capri

**DAY 14: Sorrento to Rome.** From picture perfect Sorrento, via Pompeii, to Rome. (B,D)

- Scenic drive along the coast
- See Mt. Vesuvius

**M** Guided tour of the ancient city of Pompeii

**DAY 15: Rome.** Tap into 'la Dolce Vita' of the 'Eternal City' & explore this living museum. There's the chance to delve into history with a tour of the Vatican museums including the Sistine Chapel. (B)

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

**M** Locally guided tour of the Vatican museums & Sistine Chapel

**DAY 16: Rome to Venice.** Over the Appenine Mountains, stopping in Romeo & Juliet's home of Verona en route to Venice. (B,D)

- See the Roman Arena in the city made famous by Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet

**DAY 17: Venice.** Meander through the "floating city's" tight alleyways & canals to find grand squares, art filled palazzos, interesting little shops, bars & markets. (B)

- See the Bridge of Sighs, the Doge's Palace & St. Mark's Square

**M** Gondola ride along the canals

**DAY 18: Venice to Salzburg.** Travel through the stunning Austrian countryside to picture perfect Salzburg, home to Mozart and The Sound of Music. (B)

- See the Hohensalzburg Fortress

**DAY 19: Salzburg to Prague.** Head north to Prague, the 'City of a Thousand Spires'. (B,D)

- See Hradčany Castle, the Cathedral of St. Vitus & Charles Bridge
- Visit the Old Town Square

**DAY 20: Prague.** Snake through this medieval city's maze of cobbled streets & discover Gothic architecture, bargain price beer & Bohemian crystal beads. (B)

**M** Nuclear bunker tour

**DAY 21: Prague to Berlin.** Head over the border & into Germany to Dresden, often dubbed 'Florence of the North' because of its beauty. Then we'll roll in to Berlin. (B,D)

- See the Tiergarten, Alexanderplatz, Russian War Memorial, Brandenburg Gate & historic Reichstag building
- Take in the commemorative artwork & the remains of the Berlin Wall

**DAY 22: Berlin.** Find out what makes Germany's capital one of the most cutting-edge cities in the world with lots of free time to explore. It's hard to believe that this funky town has had such a troubled past, so savour the mix of old & new in this ever-changing city. (B)

- See the site of Checkpoint Charlie
- M** Walking tour of Berlin

**DAY 23: Berlin to Amsterdam.** Motor down the autobahn & get ready for a dose of Amsterdam. Check out the eye-opening Red Light District, where the creative & wacky come together on narrow cobbled streets. (B,D)

- See Amsterdam's canals & gable houses by night

**DAY 24: Amsterdam.** Enjoy a free day to explore this great city, later opt in for a traditional Dutch dinner in Volendam visiting the world famous cheese maker Edam en route. (B)

- See how clogs are made and try some famous Dutch Edam at a cheese farm

**M** Canal cruise

**DAY 25: Amsterdam to London.**

This morning after breakfast we transfer you to Schiphol Airport (estimated arrival 10:00am) where your trip ends. Or choose to take a complimentary transfer to central London & extend your stay. (B)

