

# **ITINERARY**

# May 25-June 13, 2024

La Spezia 2 Days **Florence** Venice Salzburg Munich Gimmelwald Strasbourg Amsterdam London **Flights** 

20 Days Total

# **TOUR PRICE**

<sup>\$7,994</sup>

Single room supplement \$1,386

# **TOUR LEADER**

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"Please join me on this voyage of discovery. We will visit all of the 'must-see' sights of Florence, Venice and London, but we will also explore off the beaten path in places of immense beauty and historical significance. From the enduring charm of the beautiful villages of Cinque Terre, to the joy of biking through Munich's English Garden, to the thrill of white water rafting through the Swiss Alps, to the seeking of Dutch 'gezellig' while strolling along the canals of Amsterdam, this trip will enlighten the mind and inspire the senses." — **Brad Dicus, Tour Director** 

## **TOUR INCLUDES**

- » Round-trip airfare from Phoenix, AZ to Milan, Italy and returning from London, England to Phoenix
- » 16 nights' accommodation in centrally-located superior tourist class hotels
- » 2 nights' accommodation in Gimmelwald youth hostel
- » EuroStar from Brussels to London
- » Based on triple room occupancy
- » Breakfast daily and Euro 70 cash payout for dinner at La Giostra in Florence
- » 2 full day Oyster cards per person in London
- » Private deluxe motor coach for all land transportation
- » Entrance fees to all scheduled museums and attractions as stated in the program itinerary
- » Tips, taxes and gratuities
- » Cinque Terre train pass
- » City orientation meetings upon arrival in all major cities throughout Europe
- » Travel, accident and baggage protection
- » Deluxe Document holders (1) and baggage tags (2) per person

TO APPLY PLEASE VISIT WWW.ULYSSESTOURS.US AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO BRAD DICUS. QUESTIONS? CALL 800-444-8885

SAT, MAY 25

**PHOENIX - MILAN** 

Depart Phoenix on your international flight to Europe. Meal service on-board.

**SUN, MAY 26** 

**MILAN - LA SPEZIA** 

Arrive in Milan. Board your private motorcoach and transfer to La Spezia (or area). B

**MON, MAY 27** LA SPEZIA

With your train pass, explore Cinque Terre, a breathtaking coastal region nestled along the rugged Italian Riviera. It consists of five picturesque fishing villages—Riomaggiore, Manarola, Corniglia, Vernazza, and Monterosso al Mare—that perch on cliffs overlooking the turquoise Ligurian Sea. Return to La Spezia. B

**TUE, MAY 28** 

**LA SPEZIA - FLORENCE** 

Leave the coastal area for beautiful Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance. Stop at Pisa en-route to view the famous **Leaning** Tower. Continue on to Florence. Visit Piazza Michelangelo on the way to the hotel. B

**WED, MAY 29** 

**FLORENCE** 

Begin the day with a **guided walking tour**, to include all the highlights: See Ghiberti's famous relief panels, The Gates of Paradise, the Church of San Lorenzo, the Ponte Vecchio and the Bargello, an art museum that once served as a barracks and prison. With your Brunelleschi Pass, visit all monuments in the Piazza del Duomo: The Baptistery of San Giovanni, Giotto's Bell Tower, Brunelleschi's Dome, the Opera del Duomo Museum and the ancient basilica of Santa Reparata. Climb to the top of the Duomo to enjoy a unique perspective of Vasari's Last Judgement and an incredible view of the city. Enjoy dinner with your group at La Giostra Restaurant. B, D

**THU, MAY 30** 

FLORENCE - VENICE

Depart Florence and journey to the uniquely beautiful city of Venice. Settle in to your hotel on the Lido, a 6.5 mile narrow island famous for it's spectacular beaches. You may wish to shop for souvenirs at Rialto Market, or see the wealth and splendor of old Venice at Ca' Rezzonico. B

FRI, MAY 31

Experience more wonders of the "City of Water" with the aid of a local guide on a tour of Venice, use your 24 hour vaporetto (water taxi) pass to navigate the canals and take in the astonishing scenery. See the famous **Doge's Palace**, St. Mark's Square, admire St. Mark's Basilica and the Bridge of Sighs. B

SAT, JUNE 1

**VENICE - SALZBURG** 

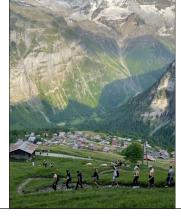
Bid farewell to Venice as your tour takes you on to Salzburg, Austria. Upon arrival, discover the art, architecture and culture of the

birthplace of Mozart. See the Festung Hohensalzburg, home of the Mozart Museum, or the Salzburger Dom, the city's largest cathedral, dating back to 1620. B

**SUN, JUNE 2 SALZBURG - MUNICH** 

As you make your way to Munich, stop in Bad Tolz, a medieval Bavarian town, for a thrilling and scenic Alpine slide ride. Continue to your next destination: Dachau, a Nazi concentration camp that housed as many as 200,000

B: Breakfast, D: Dinner, photo: Brad Dicus



prisoners, of which over 35,000 perished. Next stop is Munich, Germany, situated just north of the Bavarian Alps. B

MON, JUNE 3

**MUNICH** 

Enjoy your morning at leisure. This afternoon you will hop on your bike for a unique half day guided tour with knowledgeable locals providing commentary on places like Marienplatz, the National Theater, the English Gardens and the Deutsches Museum. B

**TUE, JUNE 4** 

**MUNICH - GIMMELWALD** 

Your next destination is Gimmelwald, Switzerland, a quiet hamlet perched on the edge of a 1,000 foot cliff in the Lauterbrunnen Valley. Experience a breathtaking ride in a cable car in the heart of the Swiss Alps. Have your camera ready for idyllic landscapes of imposing, snow-covered peaks, rocky cliffs and meadows of lush grass and wildflowers. B

WED, JUNE 5

**GIMMELWALD** 

Make the most of your time in spectacular Gimmelwald. The best way to sightsee around this sleepy town is on foot! There are several hiking trail options that will take you through some of the most incredible natural scenery on Earth. Or, if you prefer, settle down with some delicious Alpenkase (Alpine cheese) and breathe in the fresh Alpine air. B

**THU, JUNE 6** 

**GIMMELWALD - STRASBOURG** 

Depart from your mountain retreat and begin an exhilarating ride on a class 3 white water rafting or canyoning through the Swiss Alps. Continue on your way to Strasbourg. B

FRI, JUNE 7 **STRASBOURG** 

Prepare to discover the city on a **guided tour** to include the Notre Dame Cathedral, Whose Light, Doomsday Column and Petit France. B

SAT, JUNE 8

**STRASBOURG - AMSTERDAM** 

Today, transfer to Amsterdam. You may decide to visit the Rijksmuseum, a renowned cultural institution that houses an extensive collection of Dutch art and history. See masterpieces by iconic painters such as Rembrandt and Vermeer. B

**SUN, JUNE 9** 

Hop on your bike for another unique half day guided tour with knowledgeable locals who will provide valuable insight into the highlights of this beautiful city. B

**MON, JUNE 10** 

**AMSTERDAM - LONDON** 

Depart Amsterdam by motor coach to Brussels, where you will board the EuroStar train to London. Upon arrival, transfer by private motor coach to your hotel. B

**TUE, JUNE 11** 

Discover London today and tomorrow via two full day Oyster cards

per person. Visit historic Westminster Abbey, site of magnificent coronations and royal weddings. Modern London is a city of contrast: Old meets new in this international hub of commerce, travel, and culture. If you wish, visit the Tower of London, or view priceless artifacts at the British Museum or the National Gallery. B

WED, JUNE 12 LONDON

Spend your final day in London experiencing all things British. Don't leave without trying fish and chips or Yorkshire pudding and, of course, a cup of English tea. This evening take in a **theatre** performance of "Les Miserables" at the Geilgug Theatre. B

**THU, JUNE 13** 

**LONDON - PHOENIX** 

Transfer to the airport for your return flight to Phoenix! B

## TSA TOURS • TERMS AND CONDITIONS

By booking this tour program with us, you are agreeing to be bound by the terms and conditions of this agreement and any additional terms and conditions of any supplier that are applicable to your tour arrangements. It is the responsibility of each participant to read our terms and conditions in its entirety. It, along with the agreement on the back of the application form, is part of your contract with TSA Tours, Inc. (TSA).

#### **FEES INCLUDE**

Round-trip air transportation from the U.S. program departure city (except for land-only travel arrangements, which start at the first hotel and end with completion of services at the last hotel). Landonly arrangements may not be available for some smaller groups, and are subject to group airline utilization restrictions.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Student Trips: Students are typically in triple rooms, but see brochure details for individual tour arrangements. Single and/or double supplements are available upon request. Single adults enrolling on a tour without a roommate and who are unable to be assigned roommates by TSA, will be charged the single or double supplement fee.

Adult Trips: Adults are normally in twin rooms. Single adults enrolling on a tour without a roommate and who are unable to be assigned a roommate by TSA, will be charged the single supplement fee. Single supplements are available upon request.

# All adults (21 years and older) will be charged the double supplement.

All transportation abroad by private motorcoach (including transfers), economy-class air, steamship, or by second class rail. Breakfast daily and other meals where mentioned specifically in the itinerary. Sight-seeing and entertainment as indicated, subject to closing times, strikes, local traffic conditions, or other factors beyond TSA's control. All taxes, including U.S. and overseas airport taxes, non-optional gratuities, and tips (except to long distance bus driver and cruise personnel). Entrance fees to all scheduled museums, attractions and cultural events. Document holder and baggage tags. Travel and accident protection as described.

### NOT INCLUDED

Passport and visa fees (if necessary); required immunizations; free time activities and optional excursions; items of a purely personal nature such as beverages, lunches (unless otherwise specified); transportation between home and U.S. point of departure; public transportation unless part of the tour program; reimbursement for overnight lodgings, meals, transportation, or missed travel services due to airline scheduling, missed connections, or delays; baggage checkin fees; replacement of passport and other stolen items and other expenses incurred in their replacement; voluntary supplemental tip to long-distance bus driver.

#### **CHANGES IN ITINERARY**

TSA reserves the right to assign participants to available departure/arrival cities and dates, and to modify or change the itinerary in the event of a force majeure event, as defined herein. TSA may discontinue a given program due to insufficient participation or other reasons, in which case participants will be notified in advance and will be offered an alternate program or departure date.



Should the group leaders or a majority of any group's participants elect themselves to cancel a program for any reason, the normal cancellation and refund policy as stated herein shall remain in effect. Also should the group leaders or a majority of group participants elect themselves to alter or change their program for any reason, this shall not constitute grounds for cancellation with full refund. Your agreement with TSA cannot be modified except in writing to the TSA Tempe office; no oral modification shall have any validity. 30 - 35 days prior to departure, TSA will invoice for any changes or increases in program fees.

#### **INCREASES IN PROGRAM FEES**

TSA program fees are based on group size, exchange rates, airfares, and overseas costs in effect at the time of brochure printing, and are subject to increase to reflect subsequent changes in these costs. If the tour prices increase by more than 20%, the participant may cancel with a full refund.

#### **SPECIAL TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS**

Requests for flights from an alternate city of origin may incur additional airfare.

Participants wishing to deviate from the original travel arrangements of the group must inform TSA in writing at least 90 days before departure. Please request and complete a deviation application form. A service charge of \$150 applies, along with any additional land or air charges. Any requests made within 90 days are subject to a \$250 service charge. No changes can be made less than 45 days prior to departure. "Land Only" participants must also inform TSA in writing at least 120 days before departure. Any land-only changes made less than 120 days prior will be subject to a \$150 fee.

#### **PAYMENT PLAN**

Regular deposits are necessary so that TSA Tours, Inc. can meet financial obligations abroad. A convenient installment plan is outlined below. All payments can be made by mail or online at www.tsatours.com. Applicable fees will apply for online payments. Checks returned due to insufficient funds are subject to a \$35 fee.

We accept major credit cards if booking online. You agree that when paying online through our website that you are giving us a binding authorization to charge your card, and as such, you waive the right to chargeback in the case of cancellation or any cause (except fraud), including a force majeure event, as defined herein, and agree to refund policies and procedures outlined in these terms and conditions.

- 1. \$600 deposit due with registration form.
- 2. Payments will be scheduled at regular intervals.
- 3. The deadline for full payment is:
- 60 days before departure for tours departing before 30 April.
- 90 days before departure for all other tours.
- Full payment is required with any initial registrations within these full payment deadlines.

Participants are responsible for meeting deadline dates.

Any participant not paid in full by the appropriate deadline will be assessed a \$150 late payment charge. Any payments made within deadlines must be made by cashier's check or money order and sent to TSA by overnight mail service. Credit cards are acceptable.

If full payment has not been made by 45 days prior to departure, it will be understood that the participant is cancelling from the program, and

the applicable (75%) cancellation penalty will be in effect. Reinstatement is possible on a spaceavailable basis only, and involves full payment by cashier's check or money order, plus a \$150 service charge.

## EARLY BIRD PRICE GUARANTEE BENEFITS

Participants paid in full by January 15th for Summer programs or November 1st for Spring programs are protected against price surcharges that can result from increases in airfares, overseas inflation and exchange rates. Each group is priced on a minimum number of participants. The price guarantee does not cover a surcharge if your group should fall below the minimum number. Government taxes, including airline taxes and fuel surcharges imposed after the printing date are also not covered in the guarantee. The post office postmark determines the effective date. EARLY BIRD participants are subject to normal cancellation/refund procedures. Participants with special arrangements are not covered by TSA's EARLY BIRD plan. (Summer programs are May through September and Spring programs are March and April.)

### REFUND POLICY

If a tour is cancelled for any reason beyond our control the refund policy found in our terms and conditions will be strictly enforced.

The right to refunds if the participant changes plans are limited. Participants wishing to cancel must do so in writing, and the Postal Service postmark date will be the determining date for all cancellations.

The following schedule of refunds will apply:

**90 days or more before departure:** If the notice of cancellation is postmarked within this period, a full refund, less the program deposit of \$600 and any applicable airline, hotel, railway or cruise penalties will be given.

**89 to 60 days before departure:** If the cancellation notice is postmarked less than 89 but 60 days or more before departure, a full refund, less \$1000 and any applicable airline, hotel, railway or cruise penalties will be given.

Less than 60 days before departure: Cancellations postmarked less than 60 days before departure and received at least 31 days prior to departure are subject to a 75% cancellation penalty and any applicable airline, hotel, railway or cruise penalties. Cancellations received within 30 days of departure and "no show" passengers receive no refund.

Passengers who cancel within 60 days of departure who find their own acceptable replacement for any tour receive a refund, less \$1,000 and any applicable airline, hotel, railway or cruise penalties. Replacements are subject to airline restrictions and current air fares. All replacements must forward a completed TSA application form together with full payment, and these must arrive in the same envelope as the written notice of cancellation for the participant cancelling from the program.

The price of a vacant seat or the cost of segments of the program (including hotels, meals, tours, etc.) not provided due to missing a scheduled departure or absences abroad cannot be refunded. If a flight or transfer is missed, the participant is liable for the expenses incurred in returning to the group.

It is the sole responsibility of the participant to obtain a passport and any required visas. Failure to obtain a valid passport or visa is not grounds for cancellation with refund.

### **AIR TRANSPORTATION**

TSA programs use only scheduled international and domestic airlines, not charter operators. Programs are based on

applicable group inclusive fares and tariffs in effect at the time of pricing that are subject to government approval and to airline rules and regulations. The airlines concerned are not to be held responsible for any act. omission, or event during the time you are not on board the aircraft. Late substitutions and applicants may be subject to normal, all-year fares. The passage contract in use by the airline, when issued, constitutes the sole agreement between it and you. The departure cities shown in your program brochure may not provide direct air service to your overseas destination; it may be necessary to connect through some other U.S. or overseas airports. In all instances, TSA reserves the right to determine flight routings.

#### TRAVEL PROTECTION PLAN-STUDENT TRIPS ONLY

TSA has purchased a Post Departure Protection Plan on your behalf. These coverages have NO DEDUCTIBLES. The outline hereunder is a summary of that coverage.

Summary of Coverage: Trip interruption \$500 return air only; \$750 (\$150/day) trip delay; \$500 missed connection; \$1500 baggage/personal effects; \$300 baggage delay; \$25,000 accident and sickness medical expense; \$100,000 emergency evacuation; included nonprotection worldwide emergency assistance services. Please note that cash is not covered.

Pre-trip cancellation coverage is available on all tours.

### RESPONSIBILITY

TSA Tours, Inc. is responsible only for the acts or omissions of its own employees. Each program begins with the takeoff of the international flight and ends upon completion of the return flight to the U.S. (except for land only arrangements). TSA Tours cannot be responsible for events beyond it's control. The definition of "Force Majeure" as it applies to our company and the tour you have booked with us. If in any circumstances beyond our reasonable control, (including, but without limitation, to acts of God, explosion, flood, forceful wind, fire or accident, war or threat of war declared or undeclared, acts of terrorism. sabotage, insurrection, riots, strikes, civil disturbance, sickness, epidemics, pandemics, quarantines, government intervention, weather conditions, defects in machinery and vehicles, delays or other unforseeable event), we shall not be deemed to be in breach of these terms and conditions or otherwise liable to you, and shall not provide any refund by reason of delay in performance, or by non-performance, of any of our obligations hereunder to the extent that any such delay or non-performance is due to any force majeure. If our company, and/or any of our travel suppliers, are affected by force majeure. they shall be entitled to, and may in their sole and absolute discretion, vary or cancel any itinerary or arrangements in relation to your trip. No responsibility is incurred by TSA for loss of travel documents, loss or damage to luggage or any other participant's belongings, or for consequential damages such as (without limitation) lost wages, TSA reserves the right to cancel any participant at any time for reasons that appear to TSA to be valid in its sole judgement. TSA shall have the right, without refund, to send home, on notice to parent or quardian (for minors), at his/her own expense and without escort, any participant who appears to have abused drugs or alcohol, or engaged in any illegal or disruptive conduct.

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