



IMMERSIVE MIDDLE SCHOOL TOURS

## **Explore Europe**

Big Ben. Notre-Dame. The Colosseum. These major monuments define the European capitals they call home. On this comprehensive tour to London, Paris, and Rome, you'll visit the landmarks that have become household names, while also exploring the history and culture behind these influential cities. Cruise past bustling avenues on the Champs-Élysées, try to get a glimpse of British royalty at Buckingham Palace, and follow in the ancient footsteps of Julius Caesar at the Roman Forum.

# Help middle school students find their place in the world

Travel fuels curiosity, offers fresh perspectives, and gives students the opportunity to discover life beyond their backyards. Our middle school tours are specially-designed, with hands-on activities in exciting destinations that are popular with students aged 11-15. And with our 50+ years of experience, we know just how to keep students excited to learn more about the world, themselves, and their place in the world.

# What to expect on our middle school tours

#### **HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES**

Our tours offer the perfect balance of cultural exploration and experiential activities.

#### **AMAZING DESTINATIONS**

Take your students just about anywhere. Many middle school teachers especially love traveling to England, Italy, Spain, France, and Panama.

#### 24/7 TOUR DIRECTOR

Your expert Tour Director not only knows the ins and outs of each location you visit, but also how to keep students this age active and engaged. They are with your group 24/7, and are trained to respond to every type of situation.

#### YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES

Full-time Tour Director; sightseeing tours; entrance fees for theater performance, perfume museum and workshop, Versailles, Colosseum, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, cooking class; round-trip flights; 7 overnight stays in hotels; breakfast and dinner daily

"Middle schoolers have the capacity to think globally. The sooner we can give them that experience, the more likely they are to change the world."

Nathan W., Eighth Grade Teacher and Group Leader

Tour the Tower of London and see the Queen's appointed Beefeaters, guardians of the grounds.





#### Day 1: Fly overnight to England

#### Day 2: London

Meet your Tour Director at the airport in London, a city of eight million people that has become one of the world's great melting pots while maintaining a distinct character that's all its own. Stretch your legs and set out on a walking tour of the city, exploring sites such as Trafalgar Square, the Strand, and Leicester Square.

#### Day 3: London

During an expert-led tour of London, royal traditions and rich history will greet you at every turn. Admire architectural marvels like St. Paul's Cathedral, check out the royal residence of Buckingham Palace, and snap a picture of Big Ben from the banks of the River Thames. At the British Museum, the world's first public museum, peruse the permanent collection that's comprised of more than eight million works of art from all over the world. Tonight, catch a theater performance in the West End, the city's vibrant arts and entertainment district.



Once a royal promenade, the Champs-Élysées now captures the vibrant heart of Paris with its iconic landmarks and bustling avenues.



Visit the world's smallest

country, Vatican City.

#### Day 4: London | Paris

This morning, ride the high-speed train to Paris, passing through a tunnel under the English Channel. After you arrive, enjoy an expert-led tour of Paris, where you'll ride down the famous Champs-Élysées, and pass the Place de la Concorde, the Arc de Triomphe, and stop for a photo at the Eiffel Tower.

#### Day 5: Paris

Discover the subtle art—and science—of crafting that perfect scent at a perfume museum. Learn about the perfume industry and its intricate blend of art, culture, and chemistry, and create your own unique scents. Then, head to the grand palace of Versailles, where Louis XIV held court in the most lavish style imaginable. On a tour, stroll through the elegantly landscaped gardens, the legendary Hall of Mirrors, and the ornately decorated State Apartments. Enjoy an evening activity during your final night in Paris.

#### Day 6: Paris | Rome

Get ready to leave Paris behind and board your your flight to Rome.

#### Day 7: Rome

During your expert-led tour of the Vatican City, be sure to look up at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and check out the colorful uniforms of the Swiss Guard, protectors of the Vatican. Tonight, you'll have the chance to step up to the stove and learn from a real Italian chef. During an Italian cooking class, discover the basics of regional specialties and how a few quality ingredients can make all the difference. After you've helped prepare the food it's time for the best part: enjoying your mouth-watering meal.

#### Day 8: Rome

During your stay in Italy's capital, explore the world's most famous arena, the Colosseum, where you can almost hear the stamping feet of the crowds gathered to watch gladiatorial combat. Learn about daily life in ancient Rome as you walk among the ruins of the nearby Roman Forum, where Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches. Continue your adventure in Rome on a self-guided walking tour to see other important sites such as the Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Piazza Navona, and the Spanish Steps.

#### Day 9: Depart for home

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