



EDUCATIONAL
TOURS



Switzerland & Italy

10 DAYS // 12 WITH EXTENSION

In Lucerne, the folkloric Swiss culture fits perfectly against the backdrop of spectacular Alpine scenery. Down through the Italian lakes region, nature's beauty continues to amaze, all the way to the picturesque canals of Venice. Further south, humankind's imprint becomes more pronounced, from Florence's Renaissance piazzas to the remains of ancient Rome.

WHAT'S INCLUDED



Full-time Tour Director who's with you every step of the way



4 expert-led sightseeing tours in iconic destinations



All transportation, including round-trip flights



6 tickets to bucket-list experiences and attractions



Daily breakfast and dinner featuring regional cuisine



The option for students to receive academic credit



8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms



Experiential learning that expands worldviews



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YOUR TOUR NUMBER

Lucerne region

Days 2–4

Explore a storybook city and experience firsthand why royals, poets, and artists have found solace in its Alpine views and slower pace of life since medieval times.

SWITZERLAND

Day 1

Venice

Days 4–6

Deep-blue canals, polished marble palazzos, and intricate Venetian masks await in this one-of-a-kind floating metropolis.

Florence

Days 6–8

From Brunelleschi's feats of engineering to the influential Medici dynasty, discover what made this city the cradle of the Renaissance.

ITALY

Rome

Days 8–10

Days 10–12

Experience why almost all roads in Europe *do* lead to Rome. Weave between towering, awe-inspiring ruins and wander through vibrant piazzas.

DAY TRIP

Assisi

+OPTIONAL EXTENSION

Naples & Pompeii

*This tour may be reversed

Take in this tour's highlights

Lucerne region

Stroll the fable-like streets of Lucerne with your Tour Director. Visit the Lion Monument, commemorating the lives of Swiss Guards lost in the 1792 storming of the Tuileries in Paris. Then walk along Kapellbrücke—a medieval covered bridge—and gaze across the still waters of Lake Lucerne.

Enjoy a boat cruise along Lake Lucerne to the base of one of the mountains nearby. Then ride a cogwheel railway to the top of the Alps to get an unforgettable bird's-eye view of the city below.

Venice

Get to know this dreamy destination with an expert local guide. Stand in the larger-than-life St. Mark's Square and wander the banks of the Grand Canal. Imagine what it was like for architects to build an entire city around such a captivating natural waterway thousands of years ago.

Take to the winding canals yourself as you relax on a quintessential gondola ride.

Hop on a water taxi to explore the island of Burano. The brightly colored homes lining the channels look as if they've emerged from a Venetian painting.

Florence

Study up on the city's history during a walking tour with an expert local guide. Spot the Ponte Vecchio, Chiesa di Santa Croce, Gates of Paradise, and Piazza della Signoria. Prepare for a jaw-dropping moment when you first see the world-famous Duomo.

Assisi

Explore this quiet hillside town on a day trip with an expert local guide. Learn about its religious significance and see outstanding examples of early Renaissance art.

Visit the breathtaking Basilica of St. Francis, home to two separate churches. Compare the darker, crypt-like Lower Basilica (that holds the tomb of St. Francis—one of Italy's most beloved saints) with the spacious architecture and bright frescos in the Upper Basilica.

Rome

Explore Rome's iconic sites with an expert local guide. Enjoy views of the Colosseum and Roman Forum, followed by sweeping panoramas from the top of Capitoline Hill. Visit St. Peter's Square and take in the stunning facade of St. Peter's Basilica.

Then, embark on a guided food walking tour, where you'll discover Italian cuisine and enjoy lunch or dinner while strolling through Rome's historic streets.

\$ Groups have the option to extend their tour by two days

Travel to Pompeii to tour the ancient city's ruins preserved in ash, then head back to Rome to explore the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City.

