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# ITALY, FRANCE & SPAIN

13 or 15 days | Madrid | Barcelona | Provence | French Riviera | Florence | Rome | Extension to Valencia

Consider the Mediterranean Sea's influence on the history—and modern culture—of three interconnected nations. From atop Montjuïc Hill in Barcelona, picture Christopher Columbus sailing into port to tell Queen Isabella I and King Ferdinand V of his voyage to the Americas. In Provence, notice how the lavender perfumes the salty sea air. And on the French Riviera, let the natural beauty and relaxed atmosphere inspire you.

## YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES

-  **Full-time Tour Director**
-  **Sightseeing:** 5 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides (7 *with extension*); 5 walking tours led by your Tour Director (6 *with extension*)
-  **Entrances:** Prado; Palacio Real; Park Güell; Palais des Papes; Pont d'Avignon; Pisa Baptistery; Pisa Cathedral; Basilica of St. Francis; Sistine Chapel; St. Peter's Basilica; Colosseum; Roman Forum; *with extension: City of Arts and Sciences*
-  **Personalized learning guide:** Our personalized learning experience engages students before, during, and after tour, with the option to create a final, reflective project for academic credit.
-   **All of the details are covered:** Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; AVE train; 11 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (13 *with extension*); European breakfast and dinner daily
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Anyone can see the world.

# YOU'RE GOING TO EXPERIENCE IT.

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures—surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your Tour Director in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our personalized learning experience, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels, and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. Expert local guides will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views on history, art, architecture, or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

*@EFtours I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school #traveltuesday*

– MELISSA, TRAVELER



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## What you'll experience on your tour

### Day 1: Fly overnight to Italy

#### Day 2: Rome

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Rome, a city that integrates its past into the present better than any other.
- Enjoy a self-guided walking tour of Rome to see important sites such as the Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Piazza Navona, and the Spanish Steps.

#### Day 3: Rome

- On your tour of Vatican City, be sure look out for the colorful uniforms of the Swiss Guard, protectors of the Vatican City.
- Marvel at Michelangelo's breathtaking ceiling during your visit to the Sistine Chapel.
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica.

#### Day 4: Rome

- Take an expert-led tour of the world's most famous arena, the Colosseum, where you can almost hear the stamping feet of the crowds gathered for gladiatorial combat. Next, it's the Roman Forum, the former heart of the Roman Empire where Julius Caesar gave many of his great political speeches.
- Enjoy free time in Rome or [participate in a gladiator school experience](#).
- Enjoy an evening walk through Rome. Before you say *arrivederci*, toss a coin into the Trevi Fountain to ensure a return trip to the Eternal City.

#### Day 5: Assisi | Florence

- Travel to Assisi.
- Visit the Basilica of St. Francis.
- Continue on to Florence, the birthplace of the Italian language and opera. Florence was the epicenter of the Renaissance movement from the 14th to 16th century, and is the former home of artists like Michelangelo and Botticelli.

#### Day 6: Florence

- On your walking tour, pass by classical statues at the Piazza della Signoria and walk across the Ponte Vecchio, a medieval bridge where many of Florence's famed leather and gold artisans keep shop.

#### Day 7: Florence | Pisa | French Riviera

- Travel to Pisa.
- See the Leaning Tower of Pisa.
- Visit the Pisa Baptistery.
- Visit the Pisa Cathedral.
- Continue on to the French Riviera.

#### Day 8: French Riviera | Provence

- Take a walking tour of Nice or Cannes.
- Continue on to Provence.
- Take a tour of Avignon.
- Visit the Pont d'Avignon.
- Visit the Palais des Papes.

#### Day 9: Provence | Barcelona

- Take a tour of Carcassonne.
- Travel to Barcelona, an art lover's dream city and the place where masters like Miró, Picasso, and Dalí flourished.

#### Day 10: Barcelona

- Take an expert-led tour of Barcelona. Snap photos of the twisting spires of La Sagrada Família and admire the architectural wonders of Casa Batlló and Casa Milà. These iconic buildings, designed by Antoni Gaudí, showcase his unique style and innovative designs. You'll also pass Barcelona Cathedral.
- Marvel at the landscaped greenery and playful modernist mosaics on your visit to Park Güell.
- Enjoy free time in Barcelona or [enjoy a Barcelona by Bike tour](#).
- Flower vendors and street performers greet you as you stroll the tree-lined Las Ramblas on a walking tour of the city.

#### Day 11: Barcelona | Madrid

- Take the AVE train to Madrid, the capital of Spain.
- Take a walking tour of Madrid. Explore Puerta del Sol, the heart of the city, and travel back in time to Spain's Golden Age at Plaza Mayor, where you'll learn about this grand square's history of bullfights, royal weddings, and public executions.
- Visit the Prado to behold paintings like Velázquez's *Las Meninas* and Goya's paired canvases.

#### Day 12: Madrid

- Begin your day with an expert-led tour of Madrid. See iconic landmarks such as Gran Vía, Las Ventas Bullring, Plaza España, Templo de Debod, and Plaza Colón.
- Get a taste of royal Madrid on your visit to the extravagant Palacio Real, where you'll wander the fabulous palace interior and find more than 2,000 rooms decked in beautiful frescoes, delicate porcelain wares, and finely woven rugs.
- Enjoy a free evening or [attend a flamenco show](#).

#### Day 13: Depart for home

### [2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION](#)

#### Days 13–14: Madrid | Valencia

- Travel to Valencia.
- Experience the Valencia's Old Town on a walking tour.
- Learn about local agriculture during a farm visit and have dinner.
- Visit the City of Arts and Sciences.
- Enjoy time to relax at the beach.

#### Day 15: Depart for home

*My daughter just got home from France & Spain and I cannot say enough good things about her trip! We're already looking forward to picking a trip for next year! THANK YOU EF!*

– NICKIE, PARENT



Via Facebook

### TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY, OR EXPLORE

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—CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER

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