



# 14D12N Enlightening Italy, Switzerland & France

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Head to the Venetian Glass Factory and admire the marvelous technique of crafting ancient Murano Glass! Ride on one of the world's most famous traditional, flat-bottomed Venetian rowing boat – Gondola.

The beautiful Central Europe region has been deeply influenced by numerous warring empires e.g. Holy Roman & Ottoman and Cold War tensions throughout history. In addition, all countries in the area are members of the European Union (EU) (with the exception of neutral Switzerland) which makes traveling a breeze. Immerse yourself in the rich European culture!

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# Itinerary

## [Day 1] Singapore — Rome - - Meal on Board

Assemble at Changi international Airport and begin your vacation with a pleasant flight towards **Rome**, capital of Italy.

## [Day 2] Rome B - D

Let's begin your vacation with a city tour and visit the **Vatican City**, the world's smallest state and grasp the beauty of **St Peter's Basilica** with Michelangelo's Pieta magnificent dome, Bernini's famous canopy and the incredible mosaics in it. Visit the largest amphitheatre built during the Roman Empire, the **Colosseum**. Make a wish at the **Trevi Fountain** and climb up the **Spanish Steps**.

## [Day 3] Tuscany Region — Civita Di Bagnoregio — Tuscany Region B L -

Today, we escape from the city for a while and make your way to **Civita Di Bagnoregio** — a hilltop village. Founded in the 7th century, accessible via a pedestrian bridge, the Romanesque **San Donato Church** that sits in the main square. Follow by, a luxury shopping spree at **The Mall** whereby you will find great discount for Prada, Gucci, Burberry, Versace and more!

## [Day 4] Tuscany Region - Pisa - Tuscany Region B - D (Florentine Steak)

Make your way to view the iconic **Leaning Tower of Pisa** at Campo dei Miracoli, the **Baptistry of St John** and the **Duomo**. From there, we make our way back to **Florence**, we kick off with **Piazzale Michelangelo**, a square with a fantastic panoramic view of Florence follow by view the **Duomo** where we can see the **Cathedral of Santa Maria Del Fiore, Door of Paradise** and continue to the **Ponte Vecchio** and **Piazza Della Signoria**.

## [Day 5] Tuscany Region - Venice B L (Seafood) D (Chinese)

Enjoy the stunning mountain landscapes while crossing to Venice. View **St Mark's Basilica, Doge's Palace** and **Bridge of Sighs**, three of Venice's famous landmarks.

We will also visit the **Venetian Glass Factory**, admire the technique of crafting Murano Glass and see the marvellous technique of how this ancient glass is made. If time and weather permit, you would like to try their famous traditional, flat-bottomed Venetian rowing boat, Gondola at your own expenses.

## [Day 6] Venice - Milan B - D

We depart Venice to Milan, a global capital for fashion and design. Stroll through the compound of the **Sforza Castle** and be impressed by Leonardo De Vinci's design. Adore the world's largest Gothic Cathedral, the **Milan Duomo** and the **Opera House & Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II**, the oldest active shopping mall with a stunning interior covered with glass and iron roof.

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## [Day 7] Milan – Bernese Oberland B - D (Swiss Fondue Dinner)

Enjoy an orientation tour of **Lugano**, the largest town in the holiday region of Ticino offering a vast array of attractions including parks and flowers, museums, villas and Lombardy-styled buildings.

Continue your way to **Interlaken** for an orientation tour of the scenic resort town that is presided over by the mighty Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau mountains.

Enjoy the rest of the afternoon free at leisure to explore the beautiful surrounding mountain region.

## [Day 8] Bernese Oberland – Lucerne/Zurich B - -

Depart from Interlaken to **Lucerne**. Today you may wish to join the optional tour to the scenic railway trip to Kleine Scheidegg or Jungfrauoch mountain pass, a famous ski resort area, to admire the passing scenic valley.

## [Day 9] Lucerne / Zurich B L -

This morning, we will proceed to for an exciting excursion up to the peak of **Mt. Titlis\*** via the **Rotair**, where you will be treated to a 360-degree panoramic view of steep rock faces, deep crevasses and distant snow-covered mountain peaks as the gondola rotates its way up the summit.

Delve deep into the magical world of ice in the **Glacier Cave** as you walk on the 150-metre-long walkway surrounded in blue light; then challenge yourself with an adrenaline spiking adventure on the **Titlis Cliff Walk**.

Continue your day to Lucerne with the **Chapel Bridge**, the world's oldest truss bridge and famous for its unusual painting that hangs under its roof.

See the **Lion Monument**, the most sentimental of Swiss Monuments, commemorates the Swiss mercenaries who, serving the French King Louis XVI, lost their lives during the French Revolution. Thereafter, enjoy your Duty-free shopping at the biggest watch store at Burcherer and souvenirs.

*\*Note: Mt. Titlis will be replaced to another mountain if operation ceases. It depends on the weather and its operation.*

## [Day 10] Lucerne/Zurich – Colmar – Lorraine Region B - D

Embark for a Scenic drive to picturesque city of **Colmar**, situated in the heart of the idyllic Alsace region in northeast France. This quaint town is akin to a scene out of a storybook with its half-timbered houses, rustic canals and lush flora and fauna. The tour manager will bring you on an orientation tour along the narrow winding streets of the historic Old Town, littered with medieval houses dating back to the 16th and 17th century. Don't miss a visit to the **Petite Venice**, **Tannen's quarter and Fisherman's Wharf**, where its once the centre of Colmar Fish market in the olden days.

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## [Day 11] Paris

B - D

Begin your **Paris** adventure with a guided tour of the city – take in the sights of **Champs-Élysées, Place de la Concorde, Louvre Museum** and its iconic **Louvre Pyramid**, and the **Palais Garnier Paris Opera House**. Stop at the **Arc de Triomphe**, a famed monument erected in honour of the soldiers who fought in the Napoleonic Wars. Visit the highest observation deck of Paris – the **Montparnasse Tower** for a panoramic view over Paris, then head over to the **Galeries Lafayette** – the biggest department store in Paris for souvenir shopping.

*Note: The Galeries Lafayette is closed on Christmas, New Year's Day and operating hours subject to the store.*

## [Day 12] Paris

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Enjoy a free day of leisure, shopping or sightseeing. You may wish to take up some recommended activities, such as an optional full day Paris tour that includes a walk through the **Montmartre neighbourhood**, shopping at **Galeries Lafayette**, a visit to the **Latin Quarter** and a scenic **Seine River** cruise.

## [Day 13 & 14] Paris – Singapore

B - Meal on Board

Free & leisure and bid farewell to Paris as we transfer to the airport for our flight home, bringing fond memories of your holidays with H.I.S International Travel Pte Ltd!

**\*Tipping: €98**

