

Luxury Paris, Venice and Rome

From \$3,699 per person // 11 days



Take a 5-star trip through some of Europe's most iconic and romantic cities - travelling in First Class through the majestic Swiss Alps.

The Essentials

- 5-star hotels, First Class travel, transfers included
- Three days in the heart of Paris
- Travel to Zurich in First Class on board a high-speed TGV train
- · Overnight in Switzerland at the superb Hotel Schweizerhof
- · First Class journey through the Alps to Venice
- Three nights in Venice close to St Mark's Square
- Three nights in Rome in the historical centre

Tailor make your holiday

- Tie in with a river or sea cruise
- · Add extra nights & destinations
- Choose alternative hotels
- · Let us suggest the most scenic routes

What's included

- · First Class rail travel with seat reservations
- 10 nights' handpicked 5-star hotel accommodation with breakfast
- Private meet-and-greet transfers to and from your hotels
- Clearly-presented wallets for your rail tickets, hotel vouchers and other documentation
- All credit card surcharges and complimentary delivery of your travel documents worldwide

- Suggested Itinerary -



Days 1, 2 & 3 - Paris

Arrive in Paris and make your way to your hotel. You may be arriving by plane into Charles-de-Gaulle or Orly Airports, on Eurostar from London, rail from elsewhere in Europe or finishing up a river cruise. Whatever your incoming arrangements, let us know and we can arrange a private car transfer from your point of entry. Paris is known for being one of the most romantic and alluring cities in the world. You have three nights here at the Sofitel Baltimore Tour Eiffel (or similar) in which to indulge in the sights and culinary delights of the French capital.



Day 4 - Paris To Zurich

After your final Parisian hotel breakfast, your meet-and-greet car transfer will take you directly from the door of your hotel to the entrance to the grandiose Gare de Lyon, in the southeastern part of Paris's CBD. There, your TGV Lyria train awaits, to whisk you in the comfort of First Class at speeds of over 300 kph into Switzerland. You will then be met by a butler on the platform from the Hotel Schweizerhof, your home for the night.



Day 5 - Zurich To Venice

Return to the station this morning for the once-daily direct EuroCity train over the Alps to Venice. The journey takes you alongside Lake Zurich first of all, and then the scenery takes a more dramatic twist as you hug the shoreline of beautiful Lake Lucerne. As you can feel the train ascending into the mountains, it zooms through the Gotthard Base Tunnel and emerges into Italian-speaking Switzerland. The train arrives into Venice midafternoon, where you are then met and transferred to the Metropole Hotel (or similar) by private boat along the Grand Canal.



Days 6 & 7 - Venice

Venice is one of the world's great cities – uniquely constructed amongst canals within a lagoon, this great maritime city once ruled over an empire on both sides of the Adriatic. Today, Venice boasts many charms, the most simple pleasure being losing yourself in the rabbit-warren of small canals in the more residential parts of the city. Don't miss the fantastic St Mark's Basilica (we recommend an early start for this!) and taking in a superb photo op alongside the Rialto Bridge.



Day 8 - Venice To Rome

This morning you will be met once again at the hotel lobby by your waterman who will transport you and your luggage for one last view of the Grand Canal and back to Santa Lucia station, where you board your modern, sleek Eurostar Frecciarossa (Red Arrow) for your First Class journey to Rome. The 500-km journey is eaten up in less than 4-hours, and then on arrival in Rome you will be met and transferred by private car to the fabulous Hotel Majestic (or similar) for a 3-night stay.



Days 9, 10 & 11 - Rome

The cradle of western civilisation, Rome boasts an unmatched history dating back to the empire bearing its name. Marvel at the grandeur of the Colosseum (pictured) as well as the nearby Forum Magnum. The historical centre contains delights such as the Trevi Fountain and Spanish Steps, and the Vatican City is home to St Peter's Square, Basilica and an array of world-class museums. As your holiday comes to an end, you may be catching a cruise ship from nearby Civitavecchia, a plane from Leonardo da Vinci Airport or continuing your journey by rail — be sure to let us know your plans and we can tailor this to your needs.



Possible Extension - Sorrento

Why not extend your holiday further south? Just a 1-hour 10-minute train ride away is Naples, where you can change onto a local railway to Sorrento (pictured). Sorrento is a great base for exploring the Bay of Naples region, as well as the nearby Amalfi Coast and Roman ruins of Pompeii and Herculaneum. Contact one of the team for more details and prices.

Pricing

From \$3,699 per person

Low season (November-March) from \$3,699pp

High season (April-October) from \$4,449pp

These prices are based on two people sharing a twin or double room. Single supplements will apply for sole occupancy. It is based on First Class rail travel and includes seat reservations as necessary. It is based on the best fares on the trains. If you travel during a peak period, particularly at short notice, then supplements may apply.