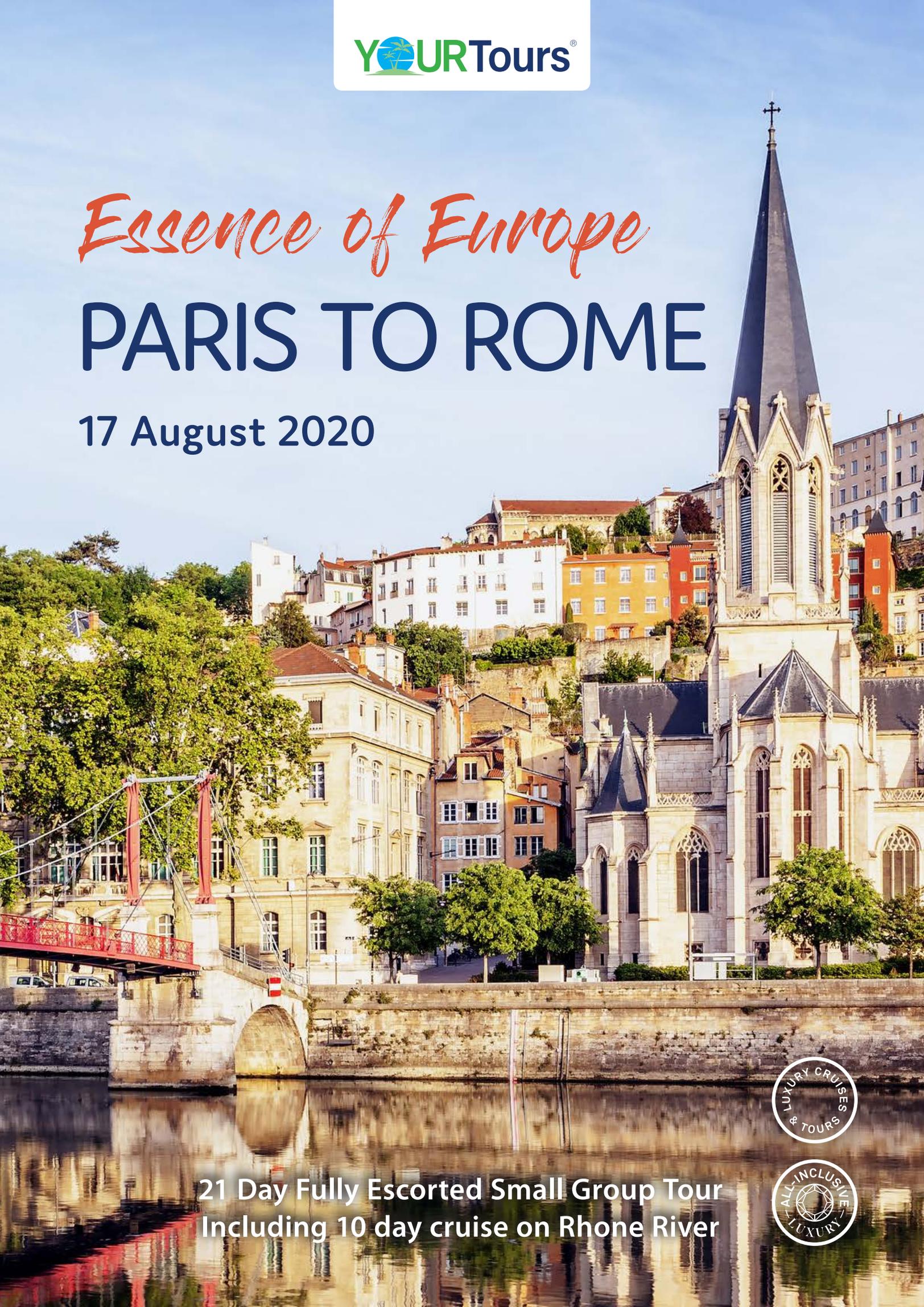


*Essence of Europe*

**PARIS TO ROME**

**17 August 2020**



**21 Day Fully Escorted Small Group Tour  
Including 10 day cruise on Rhone River**





## PARIS TO ROME ITINERARY August 2020

### MON 17 New Zealand to Paris

Today after your door to door home collection, you are driven to meet up with the rest of your small group tour and YOURTours host at the airport ready to fly from New Zealand to Paris. Upon arrival we will be transferred to our hotel for check in and we have created some free time that afternoon and evening after our flight to get to know your fellow travellers and bearings around the hotel. A free evening in Paris.

### TUE 18 Welcome to Paris (D)

This morning you hop on board an open-top bus with 360-degree views and explore all that Paris has to offer! From historic sites and iconic architecture to bustling streets and the world famous Eiffel Tower – immerse yourself in the rich history and culture of the French capital. Explore Paris and enjoy the ultimate freedom to take in the city at your own pace with a guided commentary in English. Don't be late back to the Hotel because this evening is our special first group dinner together which will also include a live Show at the Lido... Oh La La.

### WED 19 Paris - Lyon (B D)

Traverse the Île de France countryside on the TGV train to Lyon. Upon arrival transfer to the Scenic Sapphire where your friendly crew await to welcome you on board.

### THU 20 Lyon - Tournus (B L D)

Perhaps sharpen your skills on French cookery at a lesson in Scenic Culinaire. Freechoice: Experience Château de Cormatin, boasting beautiful gardens and water features. Or join the intelligent hounds and their owners in a nearby quaint village to locate and sample French truffles.

### FRI 21 Chalon-sur-Saône (B L D)

Freechoice: Explore Beaune, including a visit to Les Hospices de Beaune. Alternatively, visit the estate of Château Meursault and taste some of the acclaimed wines from this premium estate located in the heart of the Burgundy region or, visit the photography museum and learn about the history of photography in the town it was first invented.

### SAT 22 Tournon (B L D)

Freechoice: Enjoy wine tasting at a local vineyard, or join a guided walk of Tain l'Hermitage including a tasting at Valrhona Chocolates. You could also enjoy a hike to Heritage Hill. Alternatively, explore the spectacular landscapes of the Doux Valley by Velorail.

### SUN 23 Avignon (B L D)

Freechoice: Take a walking tour of the magnificent city of Avignon. Alternatively, sample the celebrated wines of Châteauneuf-du-Pape at a Côtes du Rhône vineyard. *Enrich: Enjoy a truly unforgettable experience at the prestigious Palais des Papes. After the doors close to the general public, be treated to an exclusive classical concert in one of the grandiose rooms.*

### MON 24 Avignon (B L D)

Freechoice: Shop with a Chef at a local food market and cook up a storm in Scenic Culinaire. Alternatively, drop into the villages of the Luberon region including Gordes and Sénanque Abbey, or take an excursion to Uzès and Pont du Gard. Sundowners Sail past the famous Pont d'Avignon with a drink in hand and take in this beautiful location on board your Scenic Space-Ship. The Sagamore.

# Essence of Europe

Join us on this enchanted tour from Paris to Rome

From the sparkling City of Lights, to the gourmet food capital of Lyon, be dazzled by the glittering blue ocean of the Cote d'Azur and spectacular scenic views on the hillside roads to Monaco. Leaving behind everything French, sample the delights of the Italian Riviera and the beauty of Cinque Terra, become immersed in history in "capital of arts". After saying goodbye to Florence we gently traverse the Tuscan countryside before arriving in the Eternal City taking in the awe-inspiring architecture, treasures and ancient ruins.

## TUE 25 Tarascon

(B) (L) (D)

Freechoice: Explore the artistic heritage of Arles, and see the striking Arles Arena, or stop in at the pretty hilltop village of Les Baux before touring a charming family-run olive farm. Alternatively, pay a visit to Saint- Rémy and Saint-Paul de Mausole Monastery where Van Gogh was held for a year or take an active walk and embrace the natural scenery of La Camargue National Park. After lunch you have the afternoon at leisure to explore the medieval charm of Tarascon, or simply stay on board for a Provençal Soap making workshop.

## WED 26 Viviers

(B) (L) (D)

Freechoice: Explore the Ardèche National Park and immerse yourself in the Caverne du Pont-d'Arc Museum, or visit the aromatic Lavender Museum. If you're feeling adventurous, you can kayak through one of Europe's largest natural canyons, or drop into the beautiful provincial town of Grignan.

## THU 27 Lyon

(B) (L) (D)

Take in the vistas of the Rhône River as you spend a full day relaxing on board your luxurious Scenic Space-Ship towards the gastronomic heart of France, Lyon. Enjoy the passing scenery from the sun deck or panorama lounge and bar. Or why not visit Scenic Culinare.

## FRI 28 Lyon

(B) (L) (D)

Freechoice: Discover Lyon's historic significance by traversing its hidden secret passageways, and visit Notre Dame Basilica or, traverse Lyon by foot, set on the confluence of the Rhône and Saône Rivers, explore the city sights by the river. Alternatively, walk the cobblestone paths in the medieval hilltop town of Pérouges. Or visit the exclusive culinary school of Paul Bocuse for a cooking demonstration.

## SAT 29 Lyon - Marseille

(B)

After breakfast, disembark your Scenic Space-Ship and travel to Marseille, set on the shores of the Mediterranean Sea. Marseille is the oldest city in France and its lively Old Town and quaysides are worthy visits and your accommodation for the night, is the perfect base to see it from.

## SUN 30 Marseille - Nice

(B) (D)

This morning, join your local guide to explore all the history and splendour on offer in Marseille before continuing to Nice. With a beautiful old town and picturesque seaside promenade, Nice will delight and surprise. This afternoon, check into your hotel and enjoy some free time to explore the Côte d'Azur region before a delicious welcome dinner in a local restaurant.

## Trip Highlights

LIDO - Dinner & Show · Caverne Du Pont-D'arc Museum

French Cookery Lesson · Château Meursault Wine Tasting

Valrhona Chocolates Tasting · Exclusive Classical Concert

Caverne Du Pont-D'arc Museum · Visit Notre Dame Basilica

Prince's Palace of Monaco · The Legendary 'Leaning Tower'

Monastery visit where Van Gogh was held for a year

## MON 31 Nice - Monte Carlo

(B) (D)

This morning, enjoy the scenic journey to neighbouring Monte Carlo in Monaco. See why some of the world's rich and famous choose to live in this picturesque principality. This afternoon arrive in Rapallo and check in for a two night stay at your hotel on the coast of the beautiful Ligurian Sea.

## TUE 1 Cinque Terre

(B) (D)

The rugged coastline known as the Cinque Terre, or 'Five Lands', is a World Heritage-listed Site that comprises the five villages of Monterosso al Mare, Vernazza, Corniglia, Manarola, and Riomaggiore. They're accessible only via walking paths, train or boat, but this only lends to the already considerable charm of these unique 11th century villages. Today, you'll enjoy a full day exploring this picturesque coastline.

## WED 2 Pisa - Florence

(B)

Travel to Pisa and explore the town on a walking tour before visiting the Square of Miracles for a view of the legendary 'Leaning Tower'. After spending a little time discovering this historic maritime republic, you'll travel to San Gimignano to discover the Communal Palace and Duomo, among other wonderful attractions. This afternoon, you'll arrive at your hotel in Florence.

## THU 3 Florence

(B) (D)

Florence is often called the 'capital of arts', and for good reason. According to UNESCO, sixty percent of the world's most important works of art are located in Italy and half of those are in beautiful Florence. Enjoy a walking tour of the city, starting at the Academy of Fine Arts, where you'll get to admire Michelangelo's David. You'll also see the Duomo, Giotto's Belltower, and get to walk on the Ponte Vecchio. Freechoice. *Dining: Tonight, feast on fine Italian cuisine at one of Florence's renowned restaurants.*

## FRI 4 Florence - Rome

(B)

Traverse the Tuscan countryside this morning to Rome, where you'll be introduced to many famous sights, including the Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain and Piazza Navona. You'll stay at a centrally located hotel.

## SAT 5 Rome

(B) (D)

Begin today's sightseeing in the world's smallest country, the Vatican City, where you'll visit the Vatican Museum, the breathtaking Sistine Chapel, and the world's largest church, St. Peter's Basilica, before emerging into St. Peter's Square. Officially the Vatican City State, it's one of Europe's last six remaining absolute monarchies, and consists entirely of one walled enclave within the city of Rome. From there you'll continue to the Roman Forum, surrounded by the ruins of several important ancient government buildings in Rome's centre, before concluding your tour at the mighty Colosseum. Enjoy a free afternoon to explore Rome's magnificence before a special farewell dinner.

## SUN 6 Rome

(B)

After breakfast, your discovery of the beautiful treasures of France and Italy concludes. Transfer to Rome airport for your onward or homebound flight.





— River cruise    📍 Cruise start/finish    📍 Enrich    📍 Freechoice    (1) Overnight    🚆 Rail

### Suite Upgrades

Category	Deck	Suite	Add
D	Jewel	Standard Suite	\$325 pp
C	Sapphire	Balcony Suite	\$2,925 pp
BA	Sapphire	Balcony Suite	\$3,345 pp
BB	Sapphire	Balcony Suite	\$3,455 pp
B	Sapphire	Balcony Suite	\$3,565 pp
BJ	Sapphire	Junior Suite	\$3,775 pp
A	Diamond	Balcony Suite	\$3,675 pp
PA	Diamond	Balcony Suite	\$3,775 pp
PP	Diamond	Balcony Suite	\$3,885 pp
P	Diamond	Balcony Suite	\$3,995 pp
RJ	Diamond	Junior Suite	\$4,855 pp
RA	Diamond	Royal Suite	\$6,265 pp
RS	Diamond	Royal Panorama Suite	\$6,695 pp
RO	Diamond	Royal Owner's Suite	\$7,775 pp

**Deposit per person** (required within 7 days of booking) \$1,000pp

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- Your own butler
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- Dining options, from casual to fine dining
- Balcony suites, including a Scenic Sun Lounge
- Authentic local entertainment
- Wellness and fitness area
- Professional Cruise Director and expert local guides
- Exclusive Tailormade GPS
- Complimentary Wi-Fi internet

### ON SHORE

- Scenic Enrich – unforgettable and exclusive once in-a-lifetime experiences Scenic Freechoice – a choice of wonderful activities throughout your journey
- Scenic Sundowners – exclusive hosted cocktails
- In some of Europe's most beautiful locations
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