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PARIS & LONDON

Get the best of both worlds on this custom tour, featuring French cultural icons like the Musée Louvre, the Eiffel Tower, and the Palace of Versailles. In London, explore the Globe Theatre, the Tower of London, Buckingham Palace, and more.

Why Brightspark?

Safety And Security

We regularly conduct strict audits of our vendors, ensuring they act in accordance with safety, security and quality standards.

Our Tour Directors

You deserve the best, so we only use experienced and enthusiastic Tour Directors who are experts on their destinations.

Quality, Custom Tours

Our programs are designed for you, by you. From STEM-based DC tours to performance trips to some of our country's top music cities, we have a destination for every budget and every passion.

Industry Experience

With over 50 years of experience providing custom tours, Brightspark is a leader in student travel.

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With our 24/7 emergency hotline and comprehensive travel insurance options, we've got you covered at home and abroad.



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SAMPLE ITINERARY

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Day 1: Board your flight to France.

Day 2: Paris

- Meet with your Tour Director at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport.
- Board your motor coach for a **panoramic sightseeing tour** with a local guide. Get an initial glimpse of all the marvels you'll discover during the next few days.
- Visit the **Trocadéro**, the gardens near the **Eiffel Tower**. View the **Warsaw Fountain** before heading to the iconic monument. You may even get to see Paris from a new point of view.

Day 3: Paris

- Enjoy a light breakfast at Le Ciel de Paris restaurant and take in the stunning views from the 56th floor of Montparnasse Tower.
- Discover the treasures of the Louvre. Formerly a royal palace, it houses masterpieces like the Venus de Milo and the Mona Lisa. Mixing classic and modern, a Nintendo 3DS guides you through the many collections.
- Enjoy free time for lunch while you explore the Latin Quarter.
- Explore the **Île Saint Louis** and the **Île de la Cité** and walk across **Pont Neuf**, one of the oldest bridges of Paris. Go past the **Conciergerie** or stroll the **Square du Vert-Galant** to get a better view of the **Pont des Arts** and the Louvre.
- Walk along the **Champs-Élysées** from the **Arc de Triomphe** to the fashionable **Avenue Montaigne**.

Day 4: Versailles

- Board the train and travel to your guided tour of the Palace of Versailles, including the King's Apartments, the Hall of Mirrors, and the castle's many gardens. While touring the grounds, visit the Ballroom, the Colonnade, and the Enceladus fountain.
- After lunch, return to Paris by train. Take advantage of free time to explore **Le Marais**, one of the oldest districts in Paris and full of historical and architectural treasures.

Day 5: London

- Head to Paris Gare du Nord Train Station and board the Eurostar train to London St. Pancras Station.
- Board your private motor coach for a guided panoramic tour of the British capital. Sights include **Westminster Abbey**, the **Houses of Parliament**, the **Big Ben** clock tower, and a quick stop at **Buckingham Palace**.
- Your tour will continue to Piccadilly Circus, Leicester Square, and Covent Garden.
- Take a ride on the London Eye, the world's tallest cantilevered observation wheel, rotating 450 feet above the River Thames.

Day 6: London

- Visit **Westminster Abbey**, a major institution of British history and burial place of Isaac Newton, Charles Darwin, and many kings and queens of the Empire.
- Head to **Buckingham Palace**, official residence of the Queen of England. You may even see the famous changing of the guards!
- Enjoy free time at Covent Garden.
- No trip to London is complete without a visit to Shakespeare's **Globe Theatre**. Walking into this historic reconstruction will teach your group about the life and works of "The Bard."
- Savor British delicacies when you try authentic dinner dishes at a traditional English pub.

Day 7: London

- Visit the **Tower of London**, famous home of the **Crown Jewels**. During its history, the fortress served as a royal palace, a prison, an armory, and even a zoo.
- Enjoy free time at the ancient Leadenhall Market.
- Explore the **National Gallery** and view masterpieces from the Middle Ages to the 19th century, including works by Renoir, van Gogh, Michelangelo, and British artists like William Turner and John Constable.
- Take advantage of a free evening in London to re-visit your favorite stops or discover new places, like **Trafalgar Square**.

Day 8: Depart to the airport for your flight home.

