

LONDON, PARIS & ROME

10 Days | European Student Tour

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TOUR SNAPSHOT

Experience the culture, history and architecture of London, Paris and Rome on this 10-day educational student tour. Satisfy your inner Gryffindor with a photo at Platform 9 3/4, discover the stunning gardens and lavish rooms in the Palace of Versailles, and toss a coin in the Trevi Fountain to ensure a trip back to Rome. This trip will broaden the minds of your students and will leave them with a passion for travel.

WHAT'S INCLUDED:



Guided Tours of: London, Paris, Rome



Site Visits: Buckingham Palace, British Museum, Tate Modern Gallery, King's Cross Station, Eiffel Tower, Sainte-Chapelle, Champs Élysées, Musée du Louvre, Palace of Versailles, Colosseum, Vatican, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica



**Local
Tour Leader**



Accommodations
3-star centrally located hotels



Transportation
Flights, private motor
coach, public transportation



Meals
Breakfasts, dinners





WHY BRIGHTSPARK?

PUTTING YOUR EXPERIENCE FIRST

- **Guaranteed Flights and Hotels:** We confirm the booking of flights and hotels when you submit your deposit to avoid last minute hiccups.
- **Centrally Located Accommodations:** Save hours avoiding long commutes and maximize your time in destination with hotels within the city limits.
- **Private Tours:** Personalize your class trip to suit your needs and be assured that your students will never be joined with another group.
- **Go, Discover, Inspire:** You are not a tourist but a traveller; we will expose you and your students to the soul of the destination and ignite your sense of wonder.

EXPERTS IN STUDENT TRAVEL

Our local partnerships allow for personalized tours that are a hybrid of traditional and unconventional.

95%
OF TEACHERS
LOVE OUR
TOURS

60+
YEARS OF
TRAVEL
EXPERIENCE



WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED

24/7 GLOBAL SUPPORT

No matter your destination or itinerary, our state-of-the-art Operations Centre is designed to proactively protect you and your students during your educational trips around the globe. From the best insurance to advanced incident management software to 24/7 emergency assistance, we've got you covered.



"As a huge Harry Potter fan walking through the Borough Market in London was very magical! My absolute favourite part of Paris was the 360 view from the top of the Arc de Triomphe, a great place to view the Eiffel Tower."

Tamara Bozickovic, Tour Leader Supervisor

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Day 1: Board your flight to London

Day 2: London

- Meet your Tour Leader at the airport.
- Mind the Gap! Your students will get the true London experience with their **London Transport Pass** for Zones 1 and 2.
- Experience the city on a **panoramic driving tour** with a local guide. You will see **Piccadilly Circus**, **10 Downing Street**, the official residence of the Prime Minister, and **Leicester Square**.
- Up we go! Enjoy stunning views across the capital as Europe's largest Ferris wheel, the **London Eye**, takes you 135 metres above the Thames River.

Day 3: London

- Visit **Westminster Abbey**. Founded in 960AD, this church has played a major part in British history. Not only has it held every coronation since 1066, it is the burial place of many important figures, has seen sixteen royal weddings and still holds regular worship.
- 'Attention!' Attend the **Changing of the Guard** at **Buckingham Palace**. Explore the grounds around the Palace and learn more about the Queen's official residence.
- Enjoy free time and grab some lunch at **Covent Garden Market**. Wander through the busy streets, watch exciting street performances and explore the many different shops of this popular area.
- Mummies, Mausoleums and Jade, oh my! Get lost in the exhibitions at the **British Museum**, while you peruse the collection of seven million objects from all over the world.
- Are you more of a Gryffindor or a Hufflepuff? Head over to **King's Cross Train Station** to get your photo at the famous Platform 9 3/4 and purchase a wand of your own at the Harry Potter store.

Day 4: London

- Shine bright like a diamond as you get up close and personal with the Crown Jewels at the **Tower of London**. Discover the various rooms in this centuries old castle that has served as a royal palace, prison and armory.
- Join the crowds for a stroll across **Tower Bridge**. This is a great time to grab some photos of the beautiful buildings along the Thames River.
- Head over to **Borough Market** for free time to explore and grab lunch at one of the many food stalls.

- Visit the **Tate Modern Gallery** to see a spectacular display of international, modern art from the 1900's to today. You will see works by: **Pablo Picasso**, **Andy Warhol** and **Claude Monet**, among others.
- Free time in London to explore **Brick Lane**, known for its stunning street art, **Camden Market**, where you will weave through a complex of stalls to find clothing, books and food or get a photo taken on the iconic **Abbey Road**.

Day 5: London - Paris

- Choo, Choo! Start your day at **St. Pancras Train Station** for your Eurostar train to Paris' **Gare du Nord**.
- Arrive in **Paris**.
- Welcome to the City of Lights! Climb into your motor coach and set off on a **3-hour panoramic tour** of the city where you will discover the famous monuments you've only seen in photos.
- Enjoy living like a Parisian with a 3-day **metro pass** for Zones 1-3.
- Feeling daring? Soar to the top of the **Eiffel Tower** for breathtaking views of the city.

Day 6: Paris

- Start your day with a special audio guide tour of the **Musée du Louvre**. A Nintendo 3DS will lead you through this maze to see the iconic Mona Lisa, and other masterpieces along the way.
- Explore the **Latin Quarter** on your free time.
- Stroll through the to **Île Saint Louis** and **Île de la Cité**. Discover the oldest bridge in Paris, the **Pont Neuf**, see the **Conciergerie**, where Marie Antoinette spent her last hours or wander the alleys of the **Square du Vert-Galant**.
- Head to **Sainte-Chapelle** and discover the beautiful stained glass windows of this gothic church.
- Stroll down one of the most famous streets in the world, the **Champs Élysées** and see the stunning **Arc de Triomphe**.
- All aboard! Savour every bit of Paris as you listen to a commentary while cruising down the **Seine River** on one of the famous Bateaux-Mouches.

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Day 7: Versailles - Paris

- Head to the RER train for a trip to **Versailles**.
- Enjoy a 2-hour tour of the **Palace of Versailles**. Your audio guide will take you through the history as you wander through the **Grand Apartment**, the **Hall of Mirrors** and the **King and Queen's suites**.
- Get lost in the stunning **gardens of Versailles**, which are landscaped in the French style, and date back to the reign of Louis XIV.
- Return to **Paris**.
- Make sure you have good walking shoes, next stop is the hilly **Montmartre**. Stroll through this charming neighbourhood to see the **Sacré Cœur Basilica** at the top of the hill, the **Wall of Love** and the **Moulin Rouge**.

Day 8: Paris - Rome

- Travel to **Paris Orly Airport** for your flight to **Rome**.
- Arrive at **Rome Fiumicino Airport** and head to the centre of the city.
- Discover **Baroque Rome** during a tour with a local guide. Make sure you have a coin to toss in the **Trevi Fountain**, as it is said to ensure your return to Rome. You will also see the iconic **Spanish Steps** and the **Pantheon**.

Day 9: Vatican - Rome

- Start the day with a guided tour of **Ancient Rome**. Travel back in time to the days of the gladiators at the **Colosseum**, explore the imperial palaces and admire the view of **Circus Maximus** from the top of **Palatine Hill**.
- Enjoy a half-day guided tour of the **Vatican**, an independent city-state ruled by the Pope. You will learn the history of the **Vatican Museum** and the Catholic Church and will see one of the world's greatest art collections before you head to the stunning **Sistine Chapel**.
- Discover **St Peter's Piazza** and **St. Peter's Basilica** which is a famous pilgrimage spot and has seen over 80,000 people for one of the Pope's liturgies.
- Head to the **Trastevere district** for your final meal in Rome.

Day 10: Depart to the airport for your flight home.

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