# **PARIS** 7 Days | European Student Tour

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## **TOUR SNAPSHOT**

Discover the rich history, major landmarks, and unique neighbourhoods on this 7-day student tour of Paris. Your students will experience life as a royal at the Palace of Versailles, see the tombstones of famous Parisians at the Pére Lachaise Cemetery and learn about the history behind the Haussmann renovation of Paris. Your class will soak in the majesty of this extraordinary city and will return home with a love of travel.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED:



**Guided Tours of:** Paris, Musée du Louvre, Versailles Palace, Musée d'Orsay, Paris Catacombs

**Site Visits:** Eiffel Tower, Sainte-Chapelle, Champs Élysées, Arc de Triomphe, Basilica Sacre Coeur, River Seine Cruise, Hôtel des Invalides



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Local Tour Leader



Accommodations 3 star centrally located hotels



**Transportation** Flights, airport transfers, 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-ofthe-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.



"After visiting the Louvre, there's nothing better than taking a walk along the Seine River. Paris, I love you!"

Ally, Tour Leader

#### Day 1: Board your flight to Paris

#### Day 2: Paris

- Meet with your Tour Leader at the airport.
- Take a 3-hour guided tour of the City of Lights where you will see marvelous monuments including: the oldest standing bridge on the River Seine, the Pont-Neuf, Île de la Cité, and the medieval cathedral Notre Dame.
- Visit the **Eiffel Tower**, the most famous landmark in Paris, with the option to look down over the Parisian landscape from the third level.

#### Day 3: Paris

- Enjoy a guided tour through the Musée du Louvre where you will see the iconic Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci and works by other accomplished artists of the Renaissance and Reformation periods.
- Travel to **Place Charles de Gaulle** to see the **Champs Élysées,** and the couture houses of Chanel, Cartier, Yves St Laurent, and Pierre Cardin.
- Visit the **Arc de Triomphe de l'Étoile** and see the tomb of the Unknown Soldier.
- Discover the **Place de la Concorde**, the largest square in Paris, to see the famous obelisk that was donated by the king of Egypt.

#### Day 4: Paris

- Start the day with a guided tour of the Musée d'Orsay to see mainly French art from 1848-1915 from famed artists Claude Monet, Édouard Manet, Edgar Degas, Pierre-Auguste Renoir, Paul Cézanne and Vincent Van Gogh.
- Visit **Sainte-Chapelle** and discover the beautiful stained glass windows of this gothic church.
- Stroll down the Champ de Mars to visit the Hôtel des Invalides, a complex of buildings that is home to one of the world's foremost military museums.
- Wander through the **Faubourg Saint-Honoré**, the heart of France's governmental power. You will even see the **Élysée Palace** which is the home and office to the French President.

## **START PLANNING NOW!**

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• Enjoy a relaxing cruise along the **River Seine** on the famous **Bateaux Mouches**.

#### Day 5: Versailles - Paris

- Travel to the Palace of Versailles, a luxurious 17th century palace with grand gardens. Your tour will take you across the stunning and historically rich grounds, before you experience the Grand Apartment, the Hall of Mirrors, and the King and Queen's suites.
- Spend leisure time exploring the **Marais Quarter**, a district of Paris that grew in importance in the 14th century because of its proximity to the **Louvre**.
- Wander through the **Place des Vosges**, often referred to as the most beautiful square in the world, is a great place to visit during this time.

#### Day 6: Paris

- Begin the day with a trip underground to discover **Paris' Catacombs.** You will walk through the maze of alleys that hold the remains from several cemeteries.
- Enjoy free time for lunch in the **Passage des Panoramas**, a shopping centre founded in the 17th century.
- Explore the **Grands Boulevards**.
- Stroll through Montmartre to see magnificent landmarks, such as the **Basilica Sacre Coeur**, the beautiful Romano Byzantine place of worship, **Place Pigalle and the Moulin Rouge.**
- End the day with a French meal at **La Crémaillère** 1900.
- Time to live like a local! During your initiation to Pétangue, a traditional bowls game, you will learn to play but not only that! It will be a perfect opportunity to practise your French!

#### Day 7: Depart for the airport home



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