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TOUR ITINERARY

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DAY 1

Destination	Rome
Meals included	Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Arrive in Rome by noon and transfer to your hotel. Enjoy a guided afternoon tour that takes you past some of the city's most famous sights, including the Forum, Colosseum and the Pantheon. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner tonight.

DAY 2

Destination	Rome 🚗 Vatican City 🚗 Rome
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Venture to the walled enclave and headquarters of the Roman Catholic Church on a tour of the Vatican City. Take in the sweeping expanse of St Peter's Square before exploring the Vatican Museums. Here, you'll find many of the world's greatest sculptures and paintings, including Michelangelo's frescoed masterpiece upon the barrel-vaulted ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. Enjoy an afternoon and evening at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 3

Destination	Rome 🚗 Sorrento
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

INSIDER EXPERIENCE

Delight in a taste of Campanian culture and share a home-style Italian meal with a local family.

Heading south, take the coastal route past cliffs that overlook the Bay of Naples. Enjoy postcard views as you reach Sorrento, where clusters of coloured buildings rest on a cliff above a harbour. You may like to spend time this afternoon taking in the lively village atmosphere while wandering the narrow laneways.

Stay: Two Nights, Sorrento, Hilton Sorrento Palace (or similar)

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DAY 4

Destination Sorrento 🚗 Capri [Sorrento]

Meals included Breakfast

Accommodation N/A

Once a resort island for Roman emperors, Capri is renowned for alluring the rich and famous with its beauty. Cruise across bright blue waters to the island and, on arrival, travel to the hilltop town of Anacapri to soak in the views. Enjoy some free time, then take a funicular ride down to the port before returning to Sorrento. Perhaps enjoy an optional trip along the Amalfi Coast.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 5

Destination Sorrento 🚗 Pompeii 🚗 San Gimignano

Meals included Breakfast, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

INSIDER EXPERIENCE

Immerse yourself in the countryside with a stay at the Relais La Cappuccina.

Engulfed by the lava from Mt Vesuvius in AD79, Pompeii provides a picture of ancient Roman life. After a tour of the ruins, travel north to San Gimignano. Following an afternoon of free time in San Gimignano, enjoy dinner at your hotel this evening.

Stay: San Gimignano, Relais La Cappuccina

DAY 6

Destination San Gimignano 🚗 Florence

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch

Accommodation N/A

INSIDER EXPERIENCE

Savour a Tuscan lunch and wine tasting at Castello Vicchiomaggio.

Explore the historic streets and appreciate the medieval city skyline of San Gimignano before travelling north to

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Florence to enjoy an evening exploring at your leisure.

Stay: Three Nights, Florence, Hotel NH Firenze

Meals: Breakfast Lunch

DAY 7

Destination	Florence
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

INSIDER EXPERIENCE

Sample the city's finest gelato at a famous local gelateria.

Explore this jewel of the Renaissance, once home to Da Vinci and Michelangelo. Your walking tour includes a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts, where you will see Michelangelo's David.

DAY 8

Destination	Florence
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Enjoy free time today. Perhaps join an optional trip to visit the Leaning Tower of Pisa followed by a delicious Tuscan dinner.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 9

Destination	Florence 🚗 Verona 🚗 Venice
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Explore the whimsical city of Verona, perhaps stopping under Juliet's balcony to put yourself in Romeo's shoes. Later, continue on to the incomparable city of Venice.

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Stay: Two Nights, Venice Island, Hotel Bonvecchiati

DAY 10

Destination	Venice
Meals included	Breakfast
Accommodation	N/A

Spend the morning discovering Venice, where romantic canals replace bustling streets on a guided tour. Spend some time at leisure this afternoon.

Meals: Breakfast

DAY 11

Destination	Venice 🚗 Ljubljana 🚗 Zagreb
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Travel via Slovenia's capital, Ljubljana to Zagreb in Croatia. Set out on a tour to sights such as the Stone Gate and the Opera House. Enjoy a special dinner tonight.

Stay: Hotel Sheraton Zagreb

DAY 12

Destination	Zagreb 🚗 Budapest 🚗
Meals included	Breakfast, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Arrive in Budapest today and board your river ship.


Stay: 14 Nights, aboard your premium Travelmarvel river ship

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DAY 13

Destination	 Budapest
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

Awake to views of one of the Danube's most enchanting cities this morning. Disembark and learn the vibrant history of Budapest as your local guide takes you to a host of impressive sights such as Matthias Church, the Fisherman's Bastion, Heroes' Square and Buda Castle. Back on board this evening, enjoy a delightful Gala Dinner while you cruise.

DAY 14

Destination	 Vienna
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A


INSIDER EXPERIENCE

Visit the famous Naschmarkt and browse the stalls, sampling local delights.

Embrace the elegance of Vienna as you drive around the Ringstrasse, taking in some of the city's most famous buildings – the Vienna State Opera House, the Museum of Fine Arts and more. On arrival in the city centre, a walking tour will provide an insider's view of sights such as St Stephen's Cathedral, the Graben, Hofburg Palace and the Albertina. This evening, perhaps enjoy an optional concert featuring music from Mozart to The Sound of Music.

Meals: Breakfast Lunch Dinner

DAY 15

Destination	 Vienna
Meals included	Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Accommodation	N/A

With the day at leisure, perhaps explore the Hofburg area or wander along Kärntnerstrasse, the city's famous shopping strip. Otherwise, embark on an optional excursion, to Schönbrunn Palace, or head to former soviet Bratislava.

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DAY 16

Destination  Dürnstein, Melk


Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

Cruise to the town of Dürnstein and enjoy a stroll past rustic town houses and taverns. Along the way, gaze up to the hilltop ruins of the castle where King Richard the Lionheart was imprisoned. Later, dock in Melk and tour through Melk Abbey, an active Benedictine monastery since 1089.

Meals: Breakfast Lunch Dinner

DAY 17

Destination  Passau

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

INSIDER EXPERIENCE

Tonight, enjoy a traditional Bavarian experience on board. Sample delicious local beer and snacks, accompanied by traditional folk music, song and dance.

This morning after breakfast, cruise to beautiful Passau. Perhaps, join an optional tour to Český Krumlov in the Czech Republic, or visit Salzburg and enjoy the sights from 'The Sound of Music'.

DAY 18

Destination  Regensburg

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

Continue along the Danube River to the enchanting town of Regensburg, located in the southern region of the Bavarian Forest. Here, a guided tour along its cobblestone lanes tells of the medieval town's journey through the ages. Afterwards, wander the historic streets at your own pace.

Meals: Breakfast Lunch Dinner

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DAY 19

Destination  Nuremberg

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

Arrive in Nuremberg, the site of Hitler's now infamous rallies, which played a pivotal role for the Nazis during World War II. Take a city tour this afternoon, which includes sights such as the Zeppelin Field and Palace of Justice.

DAY 20

Destination  Bamberg

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

One of the few German cities that wasn't destroyed during World War II, World Heritage-listed Bamberg beckons your attention this morning. You'll gain great insight during a locally guided tour of the historic city centre.

DAY 21


Destination  Würzburg

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

Verdant hills and rich vineyards sit on the edge of Würzburg. Admire its magnificent Baroque palace, the Würzburg Residence and walk through Würzburg Court Garden, with its terraced gardens and serene water basin. Later, perhaps enjoy an optional visit to the Medieval town of Rothenburg.

DAY 22

Destination  Miltenberg

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

INSIDER EXPERIENCE

Discover true German hospitality as you are welcomed into the homes of friendly Miltenberg locals for coffee and cake.


Arrive at the beautifully evocative town of Miltenberg. Here, enjoy an Insider Experience before returning to your ship to enjoy time at leisure. As the sun sets, watch the glittering lights of medieval towns slip past as you sit down to dinner and cruise through the night.

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DAY 23


Destination  Rüdesheim, Rhine Gorge

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

In Rüdesheim, the Winzerexpress mini-train will take you through town to Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum. As you continue cruising, you will encounter a true holiday highlight – the spectacular Rhine Gorge. Watch in awe as you drift past steep vine-covered slopes dotted with ancient castles and strongholds. Enjoy dinner on board tonight, as your journey continues late into the evening.

DAY 24

Destination  Cologne, Brühl

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

INSIDER EXPERIENCE

Step back in time during a visit to the World Heritage-listed Augustusburg Castle, the lavish residences of archbishop-elect Clemens August. On a tour of the castle, learn stories of its infamous former resident and enjoy a walk through its gardens between the lodge and the castle.

Disembark your ship in Cologne and drive to the town of Brühl, where you will enjoy an Insider Experience. Later, return to Cologne and enjoy some time at leisure.

DAY 25

Destination  Amsterdam

Meals included Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Accommodation N/A

Amsterdam's network of canals lends the city its nickname, 'Venice of the North'. Dock in the city's heart and board a glass-top boat to discover the city's waterside façades, watching the bicycle-loving locals ride along as you drift by. Back on land, enjoy free time to explore, before a Captain's Farewell Dinner back on board.

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DAY 26

Destination  Amsterdam

Meals included Breakfast

Accommodation N/A

Depart Amsterdam after breakfast, disembark your river ship and transfer to the airport for your onward flight.

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Inclusions

WHATS INCLUDED

Transfers, port charges and tipping
58 meals - 25 breakfasts, 14 lunches and 19 dinners
Explore 26 towns, villages and cities
14 nights cruising on a premium TravelMarvel river ship
Three nights in Florence; two nights in Rome, Sorrento and Venice; and one night in San Gimignano and Zagreb
Daily bottled water, tea and coffee, plus soft drink, beer and local wine during lunch and dinner on your cruise
Services of a TravelMarvel Cruise Director, Tour Director, Entertainment and Activities Coordinators, and local guides
Superior twin share accommodation
Sightseeing and transportation as per the itinerary

Fine Print

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HOW TO BOOK & PAYMENTS

Deposit & Payments

Book now and secure your package with only a \$200 deposit per person.
 Pay a 2nd instalment of \$2,799 per person within 28 days.
 You will then be invoiced for final payment 90 days prior to departure.

Booking Process

Select the purple 'Reserve Your Seat' tab to begin your booking (you must 'Sign Up' first by entering your email and creating a password)
 Then select the purple 'Book now' tab of the tour you have selected
 Select your Departure Date, Departure City, Number of Passengers, Room Configuration, any Upgrade Options, and enter any Special Requests
 Click the purple 'Proceed to Secure Checkout' tab
 Enter your credit card or PayPal details to secure your deposit/payment. You may also pay via BPAY (not available within 70 days of departure)
 Once your order is complete, you will be prompted to complete a Booking Form so that we can fulfil your booking
 Your position on the tour will be confirmed within 48 hours of completing your order. If your place cannot be confirmed, a full refund of the deposit will occur

OPTIONAL TOURS

None

EXCLUSIONS

Airfares
 Personal Expenses
 Travel Insurance
 Optional activities
 Anything not mentioned in the itinerary or optional

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CABIN BEDDING AND UPGRADES

7 Nights onboard a premium Travel Marvel River Ship

Window Stateroom - Included

Each stateroom features an en suite bathroom and personal climate control; great storage; queen or twin bedding with plush linen; plus a TV, safe and mini-fridge.

*Upgrade prices may vary depending on which category of cabin is chosen. Please enquire within to receive the exact upgrade prices for each Cabin.

HOTEL LIST

Rome - NH Vittorio Veneto
 Sorrento - Hilton Sorrento Palace
 San Gimignano - Relais La Cappuccina
 Florence - Hotel NH Firenze
 Venice - Hotel Bonvecchiati
 Zagreb - Hotel Sheraton
 14 nights cruising on a premium Travelmarvel river ship

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Accommodation

The accommodation listed is subject to change. Any changes will be of an equal or higher standard. Bedding configurations (double or twin) are requests only. All efforts will be made to meet your preferences, however, any changes are beyond our control.

Single Supplement

A single supplement is available on all nights of this trip from an extra AUD \$5,750 subject to availability.

Triple Share

Not available.

Children

Children must be 5 years old or over and share a room with parents at all times. Children are charged the same price as adults.

Tour Documentation

Final documentation will be provided approximately 30 days prior to travel.

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