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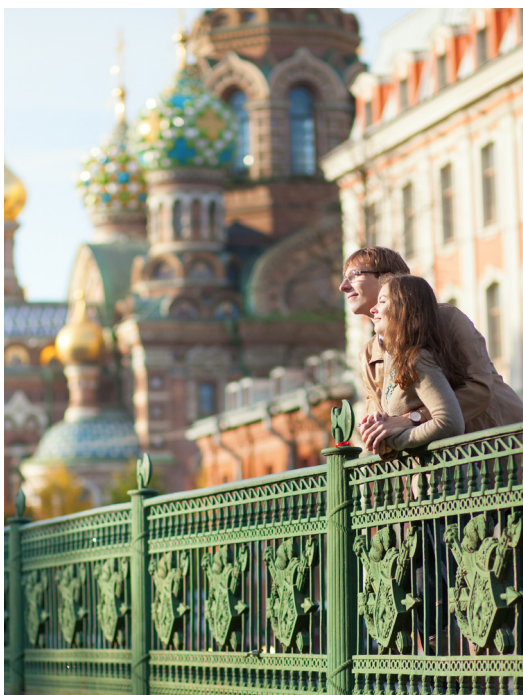
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Sincerely,

Mustafa Coskun

President, Magister Tours, Inc.



The Magister Experience

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Commitment to Excellence

Every detail of your journey is orchestrated by Magister's experienced and knowledgeable staff, who monitors your trip from the moment your request is received until your last day in Europe. Don't be surprised if you receive a call from our head office during your trip to make sure that you are enjoying your adventure! Magister's headquarters in Europe are ideally located to allow us to react quickly to any concerns.

Transport in Comfort and Luxury

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Accommodations to Suit Your Lifestyle

Hotels chosen for your journey are monitored by Magister for their consistent service and quality of amenities. Whether you stay in charming historical establishments, boutique hotels, or luxury spa resorts, your accommodations are tailored to meet your expectations and budget.

Guided by Experts

Your English-speaking guides are specially selected for their experience and knowledge in every aspect of the places you visit. Whether your passion is architecture, history, or culture, your guide will be an expert in your chosen interest if we are made aware of it in advance.

Cultural Encounters

Have dinner with a local family on the Dalmatian Coast, or attend a performance of the Russian Cossacks in Moscow and learn about their culture and traditions. Authentic encounters make your journey special and memorable.

Superb Value and Pricing

Magister's longstanding relationships and excellent reputation within the travel industry guarantees competitive pricing and unmatched value for your money. All pricing is in U.S. dollars and payment by credit card is welcome.

Captivating Dalmatian Coast

8 days 7 nights Dubrovnik - Hvar - Split - Plitvice Lakes - Zagreb - Ljubljana*

** Suggested itinerary - Ask us to personalize it just for you!*



Discover stunning landscapes, incredible gastronomy, and rich cultural heritage on this journey through Croatia, Montenegro, and Slovenia. In this magical land on the Adriatic Sea, you find a deep history revealed within the walls of numerous museums, galleries and churches, many of which are included in the UNESCO World Heritage Site list.



Day 1 Dubrovnik

Upon arrival in Dubrovnik, meet your guide and explore one of the world's best-preserved medieval walled cities. Situated on the beautiful coast of the Adriatic, Dubrovnik is well known for its stunning monuments. Visit the Franciscan Monastery and Sponza Palace and Cathedral, built on the ruins of a 12th-century church—then destroyed in 1667 by an earthquake. After your tour of the city, transfer to your preferred hotel for check-in and overnight.

Day 2 Dubrovnik - Kotor - Budva - Dubrovnik

Enjoy your full day tour to Montenegro. First stop is Perast, an old town on the Bay of Kotor, where you will enjoy a boat ride to Gospa od Skrpjel (Our Lady of the Rocks). This artificial island was created over centuries on a foundation of rocks and old ships. Continue to Kotor, a city of traders and famous sailors. Proceed south to Budva and see its beautiful beaches and Mediterranean architecture. On the way back to Dubrovnik drive to Lepetane and take a ferry boat ride to Kamenari. Return to your Dubrovnik hotel for overnight.



Day 3 Dubrovnik - Ston - Hvar

This morning after breakfast drive to Ston, famous for its medieval walls and oyster farms. After lunch, continue to the small coastal town of Drvenik and board the ferry for Sucuraj, Hvar. The island of Hvar is the queen of the Croatian Dalmatian islands. Take the afternoon to explore or relax at your leisure. Overnight at your hotel in Hvar.

Day 4 Hvar - Split

Meet your local guide and explore Hvar town, an ancient city with a rich past. Discover the historic legacy of Hvar and listen to the stories of the town. A stroll through Hvar's picturesque streets reveals centuries of Dalmatian architecture. The typical Mediterranean town has numerous monuments, including fortresses, churches, and one of the oldest theatres in Europe, which is a testament to its ancient and rich culture. After sightseeing, proceed to Starigrad for the ferry to Split. Upon arrival, check into your hotel and enjoy a free evening for personal pursuits.

Day 5 Split - Plitvice Lakes National Park

After breakfast, meet your guide and explore

“the most beautiful city in the world”, as its citizens proudly proclaim. Here is a place where history reveals itself around every corner! One of the oldest cities in the region, Split formed around Diocletian’s Palace, built in 305 CE. The following turbulent centuries saw the palace made into a town first populated by the citizens of nearby Salona, followed by Avars and Slavs. The town overgrew the walls of the palace and its authorities changed as the years passed. Rulers included Croatians, Hungarians, Venetians, French, and the Austro-Hungarian monarchy. Following the city tour, enjoy lunch at a local restaurant. Transfer to Plitvice Lakes National Park and check into your preferred hotel.

Day 6 Plitvice Lakes National Park - Zagreb

Following breakfast, begin your tour of the national park. Take in the unspoiled beauty of the park set in deep woodlands populated by deer, bears, wolves, boars, and rare bird species. Immerse yourself in the captivating landscape with a backdrop of lakes and waterfalls throughout the park. After lunch, continue to the capital of Croatia, Zagreb, where you will check into your preferred

hotel and enjoy the rest of the afternoon and evening at your leisure.

Day 7 Zagreb - Ljubljana

Explore the warm and inviting city of Zagreb on your morning guided tour. Take a walk through Zrinjevac along the avenues lined with trees and flowers to the main city square of Ban Jelacic, the heart of the city. You will love the Upper Town and its medieval twin settlements: secular Gradec and ecclesiastical Kaptol, both well-preserved. Experience the local cuisine at lunch before continuing to Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia. See the castle and discover the legacy of the Baroque and Art Nouveau influences in this city’s unique architecture as you tour the streets of the historic city center with your guide. Settle down for your final evening in this most memorable region.

Day 8 Ljubljana

After breakfast at the hotel, enjoy some free time until you transfer to the airport for your outbound flight.



Dubrovnik City Break

3 days 2 nights - The ideal city stop, cruise extension or shore excursion



The "Pearl of the Adriatic" located in the south of Croatia is one of the most visited resorts of the Mediterranean. This UNESCO World Heritage Site is one of the world's best-preserved medieval walled cities whose history goes back to at least the seventh century. Its stunning architecture and seaside location has drawn the rich and famous for well over a century.



Day 1 Dubrovnik

Meet your guide and begin your exploration of one of the most beautiful cities in the world, well known for its monuments and magnificent walls. Visit the Franciscan Monastery, Sponza Palace, and Cathedral of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary. After your city tour transfer to your preferred hotel for check-in and overnight.

Day 2 Dubrovnik - Kotor - Budva - Dubrovnik

After breakfast, enjoy your full day tour to Montenegro. Stop in Perast, an old town in the Bay of Kotor, and enjoy a boat ride to the island

Gospa od Skrpjela. Continue to Kotor, a city of traders and famous sailors, enjoying some free time for lunch. Drive south to the coastal town of Budva, one of the oldest settlements on the Adriatic Sea dating back 3,500 years. On the way back to Dubrovnik drive to Lepetane and take a ferry boat ride to Kamenari. Head back to Dubrovnik hotel for overnight.

Day 3 Departure

Bid farewell to Dubrovnik as you transfer to your cruise or to the airport for your onward destination.



Split City Break

3 days 2 nights - The ideal city stop, cruise extension or shore excursion



Without hiding their pride, the people of Split will tell you that their city is "the most beautiful one in the world and beyond." This eternally young city has lived its urban rhythm for almost two thousand years, with its heart in the Diocletian's Palace and its soul widespread to embrace you. Explore the city on a shore excursion or stay a little longer on a cruise extension.

Day 1 Split

Meet your local English-speaking guide and explore "the most beautiful city in the world," as its citizens proudly proclaim—a place where history reveals itself around every corner! The city has been inhabited by many different civilizations since it was first populated by the citizens of nearby Salona. Learn about the various cultures from your guide as you walk through the ancient city. After sightseeing, enjoy some Dalmatian delicacies at one of the numerous restaurants in the city center. After lunch continue to Trogir, the historic city founded in the third century B.C. Walk through Trogir old town which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit St. Lawrence Cathedral, built in the 12th century, and the famous Kamerlengo Tower. Return to Split to re-board your cruise, or settle in your accommodations for overnight.

Day 2 Mostar

Discover Mostar, the unofficial capital of the region of Herzegovina. Mostar has long been known for its old Turkish houses and Old Bridge, Stari Most. During the conflict of the 1990s, much of the historic town and the Old Bridge, designed by the renowned architect

Sinan, was destroyed. The Old Bridge area, with its Pre-Ottoman, Eastern Ottoman, Mediterranean and Western European architectural features, is an outstanding example of a multicultural urban settlement. The reconstructed Old Bridge and Old City of Mostar is a symbol of reconciliation, international co-operation and of the coexistence of diverse cultural, ethnic and religious communities. Return to Split for overnight.

Day 3 Departure

After breakfast, transfer to the airport or to your next destination.



Sojourn Through Central Europe

7 days 6 nights **Budapest - Bratislava - Vienna - Cesky Krumlov - Prague***

** Suggested itinerary - Ask us to personalize it just for you!*



Explore remarkable highlights of Hungary, Slovakia, Czech Republic, and Austria on a one-week tour of the region. See preserved medieval towns, picturesque villages, neoclassical buildings, historic castles, and churches. Immerse yourself in the Central European culture and learn why it is often considered one of the world's great sources of creative talent.



Day 1 Budapest

Arrive in Budapest and meet your guide for a full day of sightseeing. Begin at Heroes Square, then walk down Andrassy Street, a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2002. Stop at the neoclassical St. Stephen's Basilica which has over 8,000 worshippers. In the afternoon explore the historic Castle District, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Visit the Matthias Church which was originally built in 1015. Climb the stairs of the Fisherman's Bastion and enjoy a gorgeous view of the Danube. Transfer to your preferred hotel and settle in for the next two nights.

Day 2 Budapest

After breakfast, meet your guide for a half-day tour. Visit the picturesque little town of Szentendre with its winding, narrow streets, church towers, and colorful houses. It is known for its many museums, including the famous Marzipan Museum, where you can learn about the confectionary delight and have the opportunity to purchase marzipan products along with other Hungarian delicacies. Return to Budapest.



The afternoon is free for shopping and personal exploration.

Day 3 Bratislava

This morning depart for Bratislava, capital of Slovakia. Enjoy a panoramic tour that takes you to the City Hall Museum, National Theatre, and Bratislava Castle, prominently situated on a plateau overlooking the Danube. Transfer to your preferred hotel for overnight.

Day 4 Vienna

Embark on a morning cruise on the beautiful Danube to Vienna. In the afternoon, tour Austria's capital and largest city. The remarkable sights of the city include St. Stephen's Cathedral, the Opera House, Karlskirche, and the City Hall. Visit the stunning Schonbrunn Palace, the former summer residence of the imperial family, now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Admire its rococo rooms, park and gardens that take you back to the Baroque culture. Transfer to your preferred hotel.

Day 5 Cesky Krumlov

Depart for Cesky Krumlov, a small city in

the South Bohemian region of the Czech Republic. Walk through the historical center with your guide and see the winding streets full of Gothic, Renaissance, and Baroque houses. You will have time for lunch in a medieval eatery before your visit of Cesky Krumlov Castle. The expansive complex above the Vltava River is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Drive to Prague and check into your preferred hotel.

Day 6 Prague

After breakfast embark on a full day city tour. Visit the Castle; take a guided walk through the castle's interiors, learning about its rich history. Step into the St. Vitus Cathedral and stroll the Golden Lane. Continue through Lesser Town and across the Charles Bridge

to the Old Town. The Old Town Square is dominated by the Church of Our Lady of Tyn and the Town Hall where the world-famous Astronomical Clock is found. Follow the royal route and get to know all the famous sights in the Old Town of Prague. Take time for a little shopping or for more exploration before turning in at your preferred hotel for the night.

Day 7 Prague

Transfer to the airport for your onward or homeward bound flight.

Ask us about city stays, cruise extensions, and shore excursions throughout Central Europe.



Scandinavian Jewels

7 days 6 nights **Stockholm - Copenhagen - Oslo - Balestrand - Bergen***

** Suggested itinerary - Ask us to personalize it just for you!*



Journey through Sweden, Denmark, and Norway—three distinctive countries with a common bond. Learn how their Germanic heritage evolved into a Viking history which left its mark throughout the region. Explore charming old towns with cobblestone streets, modern cities with world-famous museums and parks, and see stunning palaces and castles.



Day 1 Stockholm

Arrive in the Swedish capital of Stockholm and meet your driver and guide for an overview of the city. Visit the City Hall and step inside the famous Blue Hall with its walls covered with pieces of gold and colored glass mosaic. Stroll through Stockholm's Old Town with its cobbled alleys, quaint shops, and soaring church spires. Spend time at the famous Vasa Museum, home to the largest ship in the history of the Swedish fleet. Overnight in your chosen hotel.

Day 2 Stockholm - Copenhagen

This morning is at leisure to relax, shop or explore more of Stockholm. After lunch, transfer with private car and guide to the railway station and board the train to Copenhagen. Upon arrival in the Danish capital, transfer to your chosen hotel for overnight.

Day 3 Copenhagen - Oslo

After breakfast, enjoy a leisurely morning for personal pursuits. This afternoon take a privately-guided half-day city tour and get to know Copenhagen. Drive down H.C. Andersen

Boulevard which runs past the Tivoli Gardens, a world-famous amusement park. Cross the picturesque canal and drive past the Christiansborg Palace, the seat of the Danish Parliament. See the Amalienborg Palace, the Danish royal family's winter residence. Your tour continues to one of the most famous sights in Copenhagen and one of the symbols of the city—the Little Mermaid statue located in the harbor. Drive by the Rosenborg Castle, built in the Dutch Renaissance style by Danish King Christian IV as a summer residence. Arrive at the pier for your overnight ferry ride to Oslo. A buffet dinner is included onboard.

Day 4 Oslo

Enjoy breakfast onboard, and upon arrival in Oslo, meet your driver and guide at the pier. Enjoy a half-day city tour and get to know the Norwegian capital. Pass the medieval Akershus Fortress, the City Hall from the 1950s, followed by the Royal Palace, the Parliament, and the National Theatre. Continue west of the city center to visit the Vigeland Sculpture Park. This park has over 200 stone, bronze, and iron



figures sculpted by the Norwegian artist Gustav Vigeland. Drive to the peninsula of Bygdøy just outside the city center and visit the Vikingship Museum, which contains exceptionally well-preserved Viking ships. Your tour ends at the hotel with the remainder of the day at leisure.

Day 5 Oslo - Balestrand

After breakfast, transfer to the station via private car. Board the train for Myrdal, then change to the famous Flaam Railway to Flaam. This world-renowned route is a remarkable piece of railway engineering. Enjoy the breathtaking view over the Flaam Valley and the thundering sound of waterfalls.

From Flaam take the ferry to the other side of the fjord to Balestrand, where you visit the Cider House and enjoy cider tasting. Settle into your chosen hotel for the night.

Day 6 Balestrand - Bergen

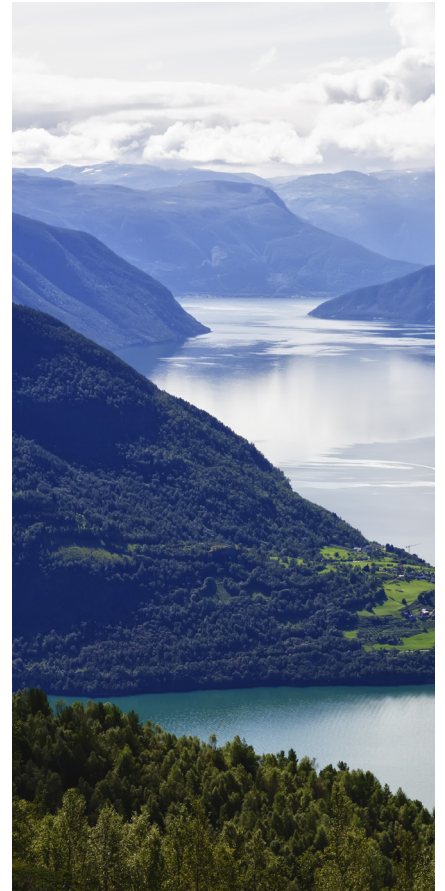
This morning board the ferry from Balestrand

and arrive in Bergen, Norway's second largest city and also called the "Gateway to the Fjords" due to its close proximity to the famous fjord area. Meet your driver and guide at the pier and enjoy a half-day city tour.

Begin with a guided walk along the famous UNESCO World Heritage Site, Bryggen Wharf, a row of colorful wooden buildings. Visit the Hanseatic Museum, and continue to Floien Station to take the funicular up Mount Floien. Weather permitting, you can see a panoramic view of Bergen. Take the funicular back down to the city center. Be sure to sample local specialties on this last night in Norway.

Day 7 Bergen

The morning is free for last-minute shopping and packing before your private transfer to the airport for your onward or homeward bound flight.



Helsinki City Break

3 days 2 nights - The ideal city stop, cruise extension or shore excursion



A small, compact city of just over a million people, Finland's capital is renowned for its striking architecture, art, and modern design. Perfect for a day trip or a cruise extension, Helsinki is located on a peninsula surrounded by the many islands of its archipelago. These islands are each interesting in their own right—one houses a zoo, another is home to an open-air museum of building styles from all over Finland. Known as the Daughter of the Baltic, Helsinki is a refreshing, modern, and lively city.



Day 1 Helsinki

Meet your local guide and begin your half-day city tour with a drive past the city's busy harbor and shipyards. Motor along the coastal road by Embassy Park, passing the colorful open-air market. Continue to the Senate Square with its elegant Lutheran Cathedral and see the Esplanade shopping street—a focal point of the city—where many designer shops are located. Drive down Mannerheim Street, Helsinki's main boulevard, passing the imposing Parliament building, the National Museum, and Finlandia Hall. Alvar Aalto, designer of the country's famous Aalto Vase, designed this beautiful concert hall and convention center. Next, continue to the Olympic Stadium which hosted the 1952 Olympic Games and pass by the new Opera House, completed in 1993. Enjoy the unique Rock Church, the Temppeliaukio, made out of solid rock and capped with a copper dome. Finish with a photo stop at Sibelius Park, where the monument honoring the great Finnish composer Jean Sibelius is located. The tour ends at your selected hotel.

Day 2 Suomenlinna Fortress

After breakfast, meet your guide at the hotel and

go on a four-hour trip to beautiful Suomenlinna Island, "the Gibraltar of the North", only a 20-minute ferry ride away. The sea fortress at Suomenlinna is over 250 years old and was built to protect Helsinki during periods of Swedish and Russian rule. The fortress has been crucial in power struggles between Finland, Sweden, and Russia throughout its history; it now serves as a popular excursion destination and is an UNESCO World Heritage Site. Your guided walking tour of the island begins with the prize-winning 'Suomenlinna Experience' show, a multi-media presentation covering the construction of the sea fortress, its colorful past and the people involved in its story. See the sights of the fortress, including the Castle Courtyard and the dry dock. Return to the city center by ferry, where you end your island tour at the pier. Spend the afternoon and evening exploring Helsinki at your leisure.

Day 3

Bid farewell to Helsinki as you depart on your cruise or onward bound flight.

Ask us about shore excursions and city breaks in Stockholm, Oslo, and other cities in Scandinavia.

Explore Saint Petersburg

Suggested shore excursions or an ideal city stop or cruise extension



Option 1

Meet your guide and begin your exploration with a view of the major architectural works of the city. You will have a chance to see the famous statue of Peter the Great, known as the Bronze Horseman. Admire the Church of Our Savior on the Spilled Blood and St. Isaac's Cathedral.

Cross the Neva River to Vasilievsky Island, the largest island in the Neva Delta. Visit the Peter and Paul Fortress, the birthplace of the city. The Fortress is located on one of the small islands in the Neva Delta. Take a relaxing boat ride along the rivers and canals of Saint Petersburg, revealing the unique beauty of the city. Be sure to take your camera as you will have a chance to see the city from different angles, with ample opportunities to capture memorable photos. Return to your cruise.

Option 2

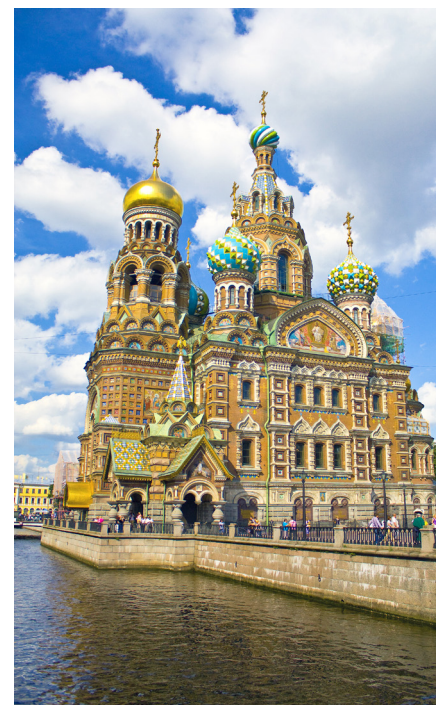
Exit the ship for a privately guided tour of the unforgettable Hermitage Museum. This museum occupies six magnificent buildings along the River Neva in the heart of Saint Petersburg. The leading role in this unique architectural ensemble is played by the Winter Palace. The Hermitage is one of the largest museums in the world, housing incomparable collections of art treasures. Return to the ship.

Option 3

Enjoy a tour to Tsarskoye Selo (Tsar's Village) which served as a summer residence of the

Russian royal family from the days of Peter the Great until the time of the last tsar. Visit the 18th-century Catherine's Palace, followed by a tour of Peterhof, another summer residence of the Russian royal family, located on the coast of the Gulf of Finland. It shows the Russian tsars' admiration for French-styled palaces and gardens. A system of multiple fountains and waterfalls with an abundance of gold sculptures below the Grand Palace has recently opened to the public after restoration. View the cascade of 129 fountains from the terrace. The most famous of these is the Samson Fountain, from which a jet of water shoots 66 feet into the air.

Transfer to the city center by hydrofoil (depending on the season) and then back to your cruise.



Heritage Cities of Russia

7 days 6 nights **Moscow - Saint Petersburg***

** Suggested itinerary - Ask us to personalize it just for you!*



Russia has long been a land of wonder and power which intrigues those in the west. Russia is the motherland to brilliant writers, artists, and innovators. It boasts St. Basil's Cathedral, one of the most iconic buildings in the world, and ballet, one of the most arduous and beautiful forms of dance. See the highlights of Moscow and Saint Petersburg and immerse yourself in the cultural and historical heritage of this fascinating country.



Day 1 Moscow

Arrive at the airport in Moscow. Meet your guide and reach the heart of the city by private car. Check into your selected Moscow hotel and rest up for the days ahead.

Day 2 Moscow

Explore Russia's capital city with your private guide. Become acquainted with the Moscow subway, the most popular and fastest public transport. Many of Moscow's metro stations are architectural masterpieces, heavily themed with sculptures, reliefs, and mosaics.

After riding the Metro, visit the Kremlin. Step inside for a tour of the interior of the famous fortress whose foundation in the 12th century signified the birth of Moscow.

Walk through Red Square, the heart of Moscow and all of Russia. Enter the GUM store, the historic department store unrivaled in its combination of size, elegance and opulent architecture.

Enjoy an afternoon and evening to discover the city at your leisure.



Day 3 Moscow - Saint Petersburg

Embark on a morning trip to Izmailovo Vernisage, where you can find traditional Russian crafts, antiques, art works, and souvenirs. Continue to the Vodka Museum and learn the secrets of the production of Russia's national drink. Take part in a tasting and enjoy lunch at a traditional bar with authentic appetizers, including sturgeon and salmon caviar. Then take a master class in painting traditional Russian matryoshka—also known as the Russian nesting doll.

Drive to the Leningradsky station for a fast train to the "north capital." Enjoy the four-hour journey sipping hot sweet tea, delivered by your carriage's provodnitsa (attendant), while admiring the Russian countryside. Arrive in Saint Petersburg and transfer to your selected hotel for overnight.

Day 4 Saint Petersburg

Begin your exploration today with a view of the major architectural sights of the city. You will have a chance to see the famous statue of Peter the Great, known as the

Bronze Horseman. Admire the Church of Our Savior on the Spilled Blood and St. Isaac's Cathedral.

Cross the Neva River to Vasilievsky Island, the largest island in the Neva Delta. Visit the Peter and Paul Fortress, the birthplace of the city. The Fortress is located on one of the small islands in the Neva Delta.

Take a relaxing boat ride along the rivers and canals of Saint Petersburg, revealing the unique beauty of the city. Be sure to take your camera as you will have a chance to see the city from different angles, with ample opportunities to capture memorable photos. Enjoy time at leisure in the city center before returning to your hotel.

Day 5 Saint Petersburg

Take an unforgettable tour of the famous State Hermitage Museum, occupying six magnificent buildings along the Neva River in the heart of Saint Petersburg. The leading role in this unique architectural ensemble is played by the Winter Palace.

The Hermitage is one of the largest museums in the world, housing incomparable collections of art treasures. Afterward, enjoy some free time for your own personal pursuits.

Day 6 Saint Petersburg

Enjoy a tour to Tsarskoye Selo (Tsar's Village), which served as a summer residence of the Russian royal family from the days of Peter the Great until the time of the last tsar. Visit the 18th-century Catherine's Palace, followed by a tour of Peterhof, another summer residence of the Russian royal family, located on the coast of the Gulf of Finland. It shows the Russian tsars' admiration for French-styled palaces and gardens.

A system of multiple fountains and waterfalls with an abundance of gold sculptures below the Grand Palace has recently opened to the public after restoration. View the cascade of 129 fountains from the terrace. The most famous of these is the Samson Fountain, from which a jet of water shoots 66 feet into the air.

Transfer to the city center by hydrofoil (depending on the season).

Day 7 Saint Petersburg

After breakfast, bid farewell to Saint Petersburg as you depart for the airport and your onward or homeward bound flight.



Highlights of the Baltic States

7 days 6 nights Vilnius - Trakai - Rundale - Riga - Sigulda - Parnu - Tallinn*

** Suggested itinerary - Ask us to personalize it just for you!*



Embark on an introductory tour of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, three vibrant countries on the Baltic Sea. Marvel at the architectural styles, visit UNESCO World Heritage Sites, and uncover history dating back thousands of years. It's a journey that will capture your imagination and inspire you.



Day 1 Vilnius

Arrive in Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania, and transfer to your preferred hotel. Located in the southeast part of Lithuania, Vilnius is the second largest city of the Baltic states. Its Old Town was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1994 for its beautiful architecture.

Day 2 Vilnius

Meet your guide after breakfast and begin your driving and walking tour of the city. Once the capital of an empire that spread from the Baltic to the Black Sea, Vilnius's Old Town is filled with fine Baroque buildings and cobbled streets, with an important Jewish quarter known in its time as the "Jerusalem of Europe." During your tour you will visit the Church of St. Peter and Paul, St. Anna's Church, Vilnius Cathedral, the Gate of Dawn, and Vilnius University. Return to the hotel for relaxation and personal pursuits.

Day 3 Vilnius - Trakai - Rundale - Riga

After breakfast, leave for Trakai, a charming small town in southeastern Lithuania. It is built on a narrow, elongated peninsula

dividing Lakes Galve, Totoriskiai, and Luka. The main sight here is Trakai Island Castle. The castle is sometimes also referred to as "Little Marienburg."

Proceed to Latvia with a stop at Rundale to visit Rundale Palace, dating from the 18th century. The palace is an outstanding example of the early work of Italian architect Francesco Bartolomeo Rastrelli, the architect of the Winter Palace in Saint Petersburg.

After Rundale you will continue to Riga for overnight in your selected hotel.

Day 4 Riga

Today join your guide for an enjoyable tour of Riga, the largest city in the Baltic states. The center of Latvia's capital has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site due to its rich history and remarkable concentration of Art Nouveau-style (Jugendstil) buildings. The highlights of the city include a visit to St. Peter's Church and Riga Dome Cathedral, which is visible from most parts of the city. Spend the afternoon at leisure. Overnight in your preferred hotel.



Day 5 Riga - Sigulda - Parnu - Tallinn

This morning you will be transferred to the Gauja National Park in Sigulda to visit Sigulda Castle ruins and Turaida Castle. Enjoy the natural splendor of this popular park before continuing to Parnu, the summer capital of Estonia. Drive to Tallinn and check into your selected hotel for two nights.

Day 6 Tallinn

After breakfast, tour the city sights including Kadriorg Palace and Park, which was built by Peter the Great as a summer residence, and Song Festival Ground, which has great importance in the history of Estonia. Upon arrival in the Old Town, experience the city on two levels.

The main sights catching your eye will be Tallinn's largest and grandest cupola at Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, Tall Hermann Tower, and Toompea Castle. On the way to Lower Town, notice the magnificent spire of St. Nicholas Church, which is now a concert hall and museum. Stroll through the Town Hall square in the heart of Lower Town.

Spend the afternoon exploring more of the city, or hunt for interesting souvenirs.

Day 7 Tallinn

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your onward or homeward bound flight.



Experiential and Authentic

A vacation should be more than just a trip. Make it an immersion experience!

Stylish Travel

What is a vacation without trying something different? Switch things up and experience panoramic tours through some of Europe's most intriguing cities with a myriad of stylish choices ranging from a historic tram, vintage car, or horse carriage.



Exotic Cuisine Made By You!

Foodies, listen up! Europe includes a legion of countries known for their fine cuisine. Learn to cook an exotic menu and feast on your creation. Try it in one location—or let us plan a culinary vacation where you study and sample with chefs throughout your trip. And for the perfect experience, indulge in wine tasting along the way!



Hidden Gems

Did you know that beneath the Buda Castle lies a WWII underground hospital? Visit this extraordinary sight and discover the history that remained top secret until 2002. Have you ever been to a church decked out in bones? The Cemetery Church of All Saints is one of the most fascinating ossuaries you will ever see. Or journey into the Czech countryside to visit a liqueur factory where you can sample and learn about the 200-year-old history of a traditional herbal liqueur. There are innumerable opportunities for authentic experiences throughout the region. These activities work well for **individuals**, as well as **groups** or **incentive** programs.



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Reservations & Requests

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Confirmations

Requests will be acknowledged by return e-mail or facsimile within 48 hours. The reservation status of your booking will be sent to you within 72 hours of the request.

Accommodation & Rates

Rates will be quoted on a per person basis in accordance with the tour program. You may choose the category of hotels you would like included in the program when requesting reservations. Specific hotels can also be requested. In cases where the desired hotel is unavailable, another hotel of similar category will be offered. Rates will be quoted in U.S. dollars. Prices are subject to change without prior notice as a result of currency fluctuations, additional taxes or circumstances beyond the control of Magister Tours.

Deposits & Payment

Deposit requirements for your booking will be advised by Magister Tours at the time of confirmation. All deposits are considered advance payments toward the tour price. Deposits that are non-refundable are advised at the time of confirmation. For FIT bookings, final payment is required prior to arrival. For group reservations, the payment requirements will be established with the confirmation of the reservation. Payments may be made by bank transfer or credit card. Visa, MasterCard and American Express cards are welcome.

Cancellation Charges

For cancellations received more than 24 hours prior to arrival, there will be no penalty unless otherwise indicated at the time of confirmation. Cancellation charges for group bookings and yachting programs vary according to the size of the group and the season of travel. Special terms and conditions will be determined and included in the group contract prior to final confirmation. Magister Tours pledges to exercise utmost goodwill and cooperation in minimizing the cancellation charges. However, no-show fees will be the responsibility of the guests.

Transfers & Portage

Unless otherwise specified, portage of two pieces of luggage per person is included both at the airport and hotel during transfers.

Meals & Beverages

Meals and beverages are included as specified in the confirmation of the tour program.

Excursions & Itineraries

Excursions are operated by private vehicle or on a seat-in-coach basis accompanied by an official, licensed, English-speaking guide. Magister Tours reserves the right to change travel programs, routes and timetables, with or without prior notice, when circumstances beyond the control of the agency make such changes necessary.

Liability

Magister Tours, Inc. acts solely as agent in all matters relating to hotel accommodations, transportation, services and facilities provided by other parties, and is responsible only for the completion of the services confirmed. While exercising every possible precaution, Magister Tours is not responsible for injury, sickness, damage, loss, additional expenses, accidental delay or other irregularities which may be caused either through willful or negligent acts or omissions on the part of companies or individuals providing or engaged in accommodations, transportation or other services related to the accomplishment of the tour, or through natural disasters and social upheavals.

Insurance

Magister Tours cannot be held responsible or liable for loss, damage or theft of luggage or personal belongings, nor for personal injury, accident or illness. Therefore, we strongly recommend that travelers purchase full travel insurance.



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