



## **Paris to the Mediterranean: Coasts & Cafés**

22 days, Paris to Lisbon

Trip code EFPM

### **What's included**

- Your G for Good Moment: Mescladis Cooking Class, Barcelona
- Your Welcome Moment: Meet Your CEO and Group

- Your First Night Out Moment: Connect With New Friends
- Your Discover Moment: Paris
- Your Foodie Moment: Eiffel Tower Picnic, Paris
- Your Discover Moment: Interlaken
- Your Big Night Out Moment: Interlaken
- Your Discover Moment: Rome
- Your Big Night Out Moment: Barcelona
- Your Discover Moment: Barcelona
- Your Big Night Out Moment: Lisbon
- Visit to the Leaning Tower of Pisa
- Cinque Terre park fee with unlimited train rides and CEO-led hike
- Visit to Monaco
- Tapas bar crawl (Granada)
- Orientation walks in Paris, Interlaken, Rome, Barcelona, Madrid, Granada, Seville and Lisbon

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**VERY IMPORTANT:** Please ensure that you print a final copy of your Trip Details to review a couple of days prior to travel, in case there have been changes that affect your plans.

**VALIDITY:** Valid for all trips departing March 13th, 2023 - February 19th, 2026

# Itinerary



## Itinerary Notes

### ACCOMMODATION

Please note most of our 18-to-Thirtysomethings accommodation in Europe is multi-share. For more info, see the "About Accommodation" section under "Tour Details".

### COMBO TRIP

Please note that this tour combines with other G Adventures tours. As such, the staff and some travel companions on your tour may have previously been traveling together, prior to Day 1 of your tour. Likewise, some staff and travellers may be continuing together on another G Adventures tour, after your trip concludes.

**NOTE:** Accommodations vary per departure and are subject to change until tour start date; they are not final and should be used as examples only. Travellers may login to the G Adventures App to view accommodations specific to their departure.

Day 1

## Paris

Arrive at any time.

Tonight, you won't need to go far for Paris to sweep you off your feet, because after all, it is the City of Love. Head to your hostel's bar with your CEO and group to kick back and grab drinks in celebration of the first day of your grand adventure.



### Accommodation

Generator Hostel Paris (or similar)

Hostel



### Today's Activities

#### ACTIVITY

Your opportunity to meet your CEO and fellow travellers, and learn more about your tour. Opt to join the group for a local meal afterwards. Don't forget to see the notice in the lobby (or ask reception) for the official time and place to meet up with the group.

#### ACTIVITY

Connect with new friends on your first night out in a new destination. Only available on 18-to-Thirtysomethings tours.

Day 2

## Paris

Picnic in front of the Eiffel Tower; opt to visit Notre Dame Cathedral or explore Montmartre.

Explore and discover the “je ne sais quoi” of the City of Lights. Paris has something for everyone and you can use your day here to picnic under the Eiffel Tower, explore the outstanding museums and churches, float down the Seine on a river cruise or people watch at one of the charming cafés.



### Meals included

Lunch



### Accommodation

Generator Hostel Paris (or similar)

Hostel



### Today's Activities

Paris Orientation Walk

Paris

Enjoy a brief walk with your CEO. He/she will give you some tips on finding things like supermarkets, main squares, and ATMs. For more specific or in-depth information, an official guided tour is recommended.

ACTIVITY

Do as the locals do and stretch out under the Eiffel tower for a picnic lunch. The view will not disappoint!



### Optional Activities - Day 2

Eiffel Tower Visit

Paris

16EUR

2h-4h

Visit the most famous landmark in France, the Eiffel Tower. Opt to climb the stairs or take an elevator to the top for a stunning view over the city. Hang out at dusk and watch the tower light up.

The Louvre Visit

Paris

12-16EUR

1h-5h

Examine the massive collection at the Louvre, home to the Mona Lisa and the Winged Venus. While it might take a lifetime to view everything in the museum, one of the largest in the world, make the most of the time you have and try to spend at least a few hours wandering around.

Champs-Élysées Visit

Paris

Free

Wander past high end retail shops, cafés and theatres before reaching the famous Arc de Triomphe.

Monet's Giverny Gardens

Giverny

10.20EUR

2h-3h

In the town of Giverny, visit Claude Monet's residence and the famous gardens that made "plein air" painting a defining characteristic of the Impressionist art movement. Monet spent the last 40 years of his life in Giverny, bringing landscapes and everyday scenes to life with bright colours and balanced compositions, best depicted in paintings of water lilies and his Japanese-inspired garden through the seasons.

Napoleon's Tomb - Les Invalides Army Museum

Paris

12EUR

1h-2h

The Musée de l'Armée houses one of the world's largest collections of military art, armour and weaponry from the 17th to 19th century. Wander through the museum's vast collection of French cannons, artillery and relics, before making your way to the Napoleon I's tomb in the Dôme des Invalides.

Moulin Rouge Dinner & Show

Paris

175-185EUR

Step into the Moulin Rouge and experience a night in Paris you'll never forget. Opened in 1889, this world-famous cabaret continues to bring some of the world's best performers to its stage, with nightly shows that feature over 60 dancers in feather- and rhinestone-studded costumes dancing to the French "can-can". We recommend reserving tickets in advance for the dinner and show.

Sacre Coeur Visit

Paris

Free

1h-2h

Visit the Basilique du Sacré-Coeur, located in the Montmartre neighbourhood. This Roman Catholic church was completed in 1914 and stands on the highest point of the city. Climb up 200 stairs to reach the dome of the basilica to get an amazing view of the Paris skyline.

Day 3

## Paris/Interlaken

Travel from Paris to Interlaken, a small city in the Swiss Alps with breathtaking scenery.

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### Accommodation

Backpackers Villa Sonnenhof (or similar)

Hostel

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### Today's Activities

Train

Paris - Basel

3h30m

Climb aboard, take a seat, and enjoy the ride.

Private Vehicle

Basel - Interlaken

2h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Enjoy an orientation walk of Interlaken. Opt to get the adrenaline pumping with some canyoning or whitewater rafting. Explore a nearby glacier or go swimming in a crystal clear lake. Don't miss the nightlife on your Big Night Out!



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Hostel



## Today's Activities

Orientation Walk - Interlaken

Interlaken

Enjoy a brief walk with your CEO. He/she will give you some tips on finding things like supermarkets, main squares, and ATMs. For more specific or in-depth information, an official guided tour is recommended.

### ACTIVITY

Celebrate with the group and your CEO and check out Interlaken's nightlife - this adventure capital pops just as hard at night as it does during the day!



## Optional Activities - Day 4

Alpine Canyoning Adventure

Interlaken

119CHF

3h30m-4h

Jump, slide, rappel, and get ready for a thrilling experience while canyoning. Whatever you do, make sure you hold on! This activity is sure to be a highlight of any trip to Interlaken, the landscape here is known for some of the best canyoning opportunities on the globe.

Chocolate Making Workshop

Interlaken

65CHF

Ever wanted to taste world-famous Swiss chocolate? Here is your chance to make it, too. Get tips and tricks first hand from professional Chocolatiers. Learn to temper, melt, pour chocolate. Oh, and the best part: taste your creation.

## Mountain Biking

Interlaken

70-100EUR

Hop on a mountain bike and hit the trails around this picturesque Swiss town. Gear up and get ready for an active day - the rewards are worth it!

## Jungfrau Cog Railway

Interlaken

91CHF

Take a ride up to Europe's highest-altitude railway station and enjoy incredible panoramic views along the way.

## Hiking in the Swiss Alps

Interlaken

30-60CHF

3h-7h

15-30km

Lace up your hiking boots and get hiking in the Swiss Alps. There are many hikes of varying difficulties either up or down the mountains or along the meandering shores of nearby lakes. Don't forget a camera because no one's going to believe just how spectacular the views are here without proof.

## Paragliding

Interlaken

Strap into a tandem paragliding harness with an expert paraglider and fly over beautiful Interlaken and its surrounding mountains. The world is a whole lot more peaceful while gliding above this scenic landscape.

## Ropes course

Interlaken

Get kitted out in a harness, and come face-to-face with your inner afraid-of-height demons high above the ground on rope bridges, Tarzan swings and ziplines. Not afraid of heights? No problem—this will still be the adrenaline experience of a lifetime.

Take a full free day to enjoy all the adventures you'll find on this side of the Alps.



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Travel to Rome by bus and train via Milan. Upon arrival, enjoy a CEO-led orientation walk of Rome. Opt for an evening out with the group.

Opt to check out the famous Roman sites from times past like the Colosseum, Roman Forum, Vatican and Pantheon. Opt to wander the cobblestone streets, or relax in a piazza with an espresso. Don't miss the amazing Italian food, wine and nightlife.

We recommend pre-purchasing advance entry tickets for popular attractions such as the Sistine Chapel, Villa Borghese, and the Colosseum to avoid waiting in long queues on the day of your visit.

Please note that if Vatican City is on your must-see list, we highly recommend purchasing your tickets online several weeks prior to your trip. Advance tickets can be reserved online at <https://tickets.museivaticani.va/home>. Same-day entrance to St. Peter's Basilica and the Vatican Museums (including the Sistine Chapel) cannot be guaranteed without advance tickets.

We also recommend pre-booking your ticket to the Colosseum to guarantee entrance and avoid long queues:

<https://ticketing.colosseo.it/en>



## Accommodation

Roma Scout Center (or similar)

Hostel



## Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Interlaken - Milan

4h-5h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Local Train

Milan - Rome

3h30m

Climb aboard, take your seat, and get around like the locals do.

Rome Orientation Walk With CEO

Rome

Enjoy a brief walk with your CEO. They will give you some tips on finding things like supermarkets, main squares, and ATMs. For more specific or in-depth information, an official guided tour is recommended.

Free Time

Rome

Enjoy the rest of the day to explore Rome.



## Optional Activities - Day 6

Pantheon Visit

Rome

2-5EUR

The Pantheon is one of the most famous buildings in Rome. Originally built during the reign of Augustus (27 BC - 14 AD), the building was rebuilt under Hadrian in 126 AD. The roof is still the world's largest unreinforced concrete dome, and it contains a circular opening (an oculus). It is easily one of the best-preserved of all the ancient Roman buildings.

Borghese Gallery

Rome

25EUR

1h-2h

Take a visit to the beautiful Borghese Gallery villa to indulge in a rich collection of ancient sculptures, relics, mosaics, and paintings. Pieces from Renaissance masters such as Bellini, Raphael, Bernini can be found here.

Christian Catacombs

Rome

8EUR

30m-1h

Follow a guide through this ancient underground cemetery.

Roman Forum Visit

Rome

24EUR

1h-2h

Even with the bustle of modern day Rome whizzing past on Vespas, you can still lose yourself in the fragmented columns and ancient ruins of this plaza, conjuring images of the rich Romans sauntering by in togas. Please note, this must be booked in combination with the Colosseum Visit and will include a visit to Palatine Hill.

Trevi Fountain

Rome

Free

Built above an ancient water source, Trevi Fountain takes its name from the three streets (tre vie) that intersect at this world-famous fountain. Sculpted from travertine stone, the fountain as we know it today was completed in the 18th century. Work your way through the crowds to toss a coin in (with your right hand, over your left shoulder) for good luck - it's also your best chance to see the fountain's marvelous detail.

## Spanish Steps

Rome

Free

Built to connect the hilltop Trinità dei Monti church with the Piazza di Spagna (or Spanish Square) below, the Spanish Steps are a colourful example of Baroque architecture from 18th century Rome. Opt to climb its 136 steps, or simply watch the crowds weave through this popular tourist attraction.

## Vatican City Visit

Vatican City

Free

1h-2h

Get ready to tick something off the bucket list. Visit the smallest country in the world—Vatican City! Stand in St Peter's Square and be wowed by colossal colonnades, numerous statues, and the obelisk. Opt to take in the magnificence of St Peter's Basilica, Michelangelo's Pietà, and the Sistine Chapel while you are in the area.

## Sistine Chapel

Vatican City

20-25EUR

1h-2h

Although the Sistine Chapel is always very crowded, it is a must-see for any visitor to the Vatican. The magnificent frescoed ceiling of the chapel painted by Michelangelo depicts over 300 figures from the Book of Genesis, the most well-known being "The Creation of Adam," showing God touching the finger of Adam. "The Last Judgment" on the west wall depicts a scene from the Book of Revelations. Art aficionados, get ready to cross one of your list!

## Colosseum Visit

Rome

24EUR

Enjoy a guided tour of this famous spot, the scene of many bloody gladiator fights for the entertainment of ancient Rome's aristocracy. Learn from your expert guide and you wander the old venue—a UNESCO World Heritage site—and feel free to walk around on your own. No battles, please!

## Vatican Museum Visit

Vatican City

20-25EUR

3h-4h

The Vatican Museums near St Peter's Basilica contain priceless works of art from ancient to modern times. There are many different museums to choose from, but two of the most well known are the Sistine Chapel and the Raphael rooms.

Day 7

## Rome

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Hostel



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Day 8

## Rome/Rapallo

Stop at Pisa to check out the Leaning Tower en route to the beautiful Italian Riviera.

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### Accommodation

Vele Storiche Pisane (or similar)

Hotel

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### Today's Activities

Train

Rome - Pisa

3h

Climb aboard, take a seat, and enjoy the ride.

Pisa Visit

Pisa

Visit Pisa and feast your eyes on the famous tower that leans at an angle of approximately four degrees due to an error made during construction—but don't worry, it's been stabilized since then. It's a fascinating sight and definitely photo-worthy. Get creative!

Local Train

Pisa - Rapallo

30m-1h30m

Climb aboard, take your seat, and get around like the locals do.

Day 9

## Rapallo

Explore the villages of Cinque Terre by train, using your included National Park pass and unlimited train ticket to move easily between towns. Along the way, discover the region's charming, colourful villages at your own pace.

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### Accommodation

Vele Storiche Pisane (or similar)

Hotel

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### Today's Activities

National Park Pass and Unlimited Train Ticket

Cinque Terre

Use the included Cinque Terre National Park pass and unlimited train ticket to explore this stunning stretch of coastline by train. Travel easily between the five villages, taking in breathtaking views, colorful cliffside towns, and the sparkling Ligurian Sea along the way.

Day 10

## Rapallo/Nice

Continue to the French Riviera and enjoy a free afternoon in Nice. Opt to go for a hike along the coast, or take a day trip to nearby beaches and villages.



### Accommodation

Villa Saint Exupery Beach (or similar)

Hostel



### Today's Activities

Train

Rapallo - Nice

5h

Climb aboard, take a seat, and enjoy the ride.

Free Time

Nice

Get out and explore the beautiful French Riviera.



### Optional Activities - Day 10

Promenade des Anglais

Nice

Free

Walk along the Promenade des Anglais and take in the view of the glistening Mediterranean Sea.

Vieux Nice Visit

Nice

Free

Wander Vieux Nice, or the Old Quarter, with its cobblestone streets and narrow alleyways. This is the best area to shop, eat, and people watch. Wander the market to witness daily life on the charming Riviera.

Cathedral of Sainte Reparate

Nice

Free

30m-1h

Take a visit to Nice's oldest, and most ornate church.

Day trip to St Paul de Vence

Nice

3EUR

Hop on a local bus (€1.50 each way) and take a day trip to St. Paul de Vence, a beautiful hilltop town with medieval walls, cobblestone streets and panoramic views of the French countryside. Stroll through the market square and discover what drew artists like Marc Chagall and James Baldwin to this quiet, peaceful refuge.

Museum of Modern & Contemporary Art

Nice

10EUR

1h-3h

Get acquainted with modern art at Nice's Museum of Modern and Contemporary Art, opened in 1990. Immerse yourself in Yves Klein's "blue" world at a permanent exhibit dedicated to this master of new realism. Wander the galleries to view an eclectic mix of pop art and sculptures, then head up to the museum's rooftop terrace for a stunning panorama of this city on the French Riviera.

Matisse Museum

Nice

10EUR

1h-3h

Head out of the city centre to the picturesque neighbourhood of Cimiez, where visitors can explore the life and works of French master Henri Matisse. Find paintings, sketches, and sculptures in the main building, a restored 17th-century villa in an olive grove. Stop by the park across the museum to visit the artist's final resting place at the Notre Dame de Cimiez cemetery.

Day 11

## Monaco Day Trip

Take a day trip by train to nearby Monaco. Get your bearings with your CEO and set off on foot to explore the world's second-smallest country (only the Vatican is smaller). What it may lack in size it more than makes up for in style.

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### Accommodation

Villa Saint Exupery Beach (or similar)

Hostel

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### Today's Activities

Free Time

Monaco

Enjoy free time to explore the Principality of Monaco.

Train

Nice - Monaco

30m

Climb aboard, take a seat, and enjoy the ride.

Train

Monaco - Nice

30m

Climb aboard, take a seat, and enjoy the ride.

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### Optional Activities - Day 11

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Free

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Promenade des Anglais

Nice

Free

Walk along the Promenade des Anglais and take in the view of the glistening Mediterranean Sea.

Hop on a flight toward Barcelona. Join your CEO on an orientation walk of your surroundings before participating in a G Adventures supported tapas cooking class served and prepared by migrant students. Afterward, break off on your own to explore this amazing city. Enjoy a Big Night Out on the town.

Visit the old Gothic Quarter with its maze of dark streets, historic cathedral, medieval buildings, bars, and cafés. Stroll Las Ramblas, a large tree-lined pedestrian boulevard perfect for people watching and window shopping.

If popular sights like La Sagrada Família or Parc Güell are on your must-see list in Barcelona, we highly recommend purchasing tickets online several months prior to your trip. This is the only way to guarantee admission during your visit.

Please note that passenger luggage (up to 23kgs/50lbs per passenger) is included on your internal flight.



## Accommodation

Generator Barcelona (or similar)

Hostel



## Today's Activities

Plane

Nice - Barcelona

2h

Look! Up in the sky! It's a bird! It's a plane! It's... yup, it is a plane, actually.

### ACTIVITY

Espai Mescladis, Catalan for "Mixed Space" is a migrant training kitchen and cafe in the heart of Barcelona that features a unique feel that fuses old Catalan favourites and migrants' home recipes. Enjoy a tapas cooking class led by one of the trainees, accompanied by a discussion that promotes social reflection - with the kitchen and food at the centre of it all.

Free Time

Barcelona

Get out and explore the city today.

## ACTIVITY

Whether it's a pub crawl, drink specials or a bonfire on the beach, celebrate late into the night with your new best friends.



### Optional Activities - Day 12

La Barceloneta Visit

Barcelona

Free

30m-1h

Take a stroll on the boardwalk in the neighbourhood of La Barceloneta, an area known for its beaches and waterfront walkway. Visit local restaurants and nightclubs or check out the monuments while there.

La Sagrada Família Visit

Barcelona

17-37EUR

1h-2h

Visit Gaudí's most famous life work, the cathedral of La Sagrada Família, an inspiring, yet, bizarre testament to the artist's unique vision.

Gothic Quarter Visit

Barcelona

Free

2h-3h

Uncover a different side of Barcelona. Visit the old Gothic Quarter with its maze of dark streets, historic cathedral, medieval buildings, bars, and cafés.

Casa Batlló

Barcelona

25-30EUR

30m-45m

Deemed the crowning architectural work of Antoni Gaudí, Casa Batlló is a must-visit on anyone's trip to Barcelona.

Parque Güell Visit

Barcelona

10EUR

2h-2h30m

Get away from it all with a visit to the imaginative Parque Guell. The fantastical works of Antoni Gaudí (1852-1926) are scattered throughout Barcelona, a grouping of these including Parque Guell, Casa Mila, and the Crypt of La Sagrada Família were established as a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1984. Stroll the tree-lined paths and admire Gaudí's creative genius at play.

Day 13

## Barcelona

Get out and explore all that Barcelona has to offer, or choose to journey further afield to the surrounding beaches and countryside to get a true taste of Catalan life.

Today, new travellers may join you for the rest of the adventure. You are welcome to join them at a group meeting this evening, followed by an optional dinner.



### Meals included

Breakfast



### Accommodation

Generator Barcelona (or similar)

Hostel



### Optional Activities - Day 13

Montjuïc Visit

Barcelona

5EUR

1h-1h30m

Climb to the top of Montjuïc hill for fantastic city views and a visit to a 17th-century fortress, once used as a prison and execution site.

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Las Ramblas Visit

Barcelona

See and be seen on Las Ramblas, a large tree-lined pedestrian boulevard perfect for people watching and window shopping that ends at the harbourfront facing the Mediterranean Sea.

Parque Güell Visit

Barcelona

10EUR

2h-2h30m

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Day 14

## Barcelona/Madrid

Enjoy an orientation walk along Las Ramblas. Take some time to visit the Gaudí buildings, or explore the Gothic Quarter before boarding an afternoon train to Madrid.



### Accommodation

Cats Hostel Madrid Sol (or similar)

Hostel



### Today's Activities

Orientation Walk

Barcelona

15m-45m

Enjoy an orientation walk along Las Ramblas and stop at the famous Boqueria market.

Train

Barcelona - Madrid

2h-3h

Climb aboard, take a seat, and enjoy the ride.



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Day 15

## Madrid

Enjoy Spain's beautiful capital on an orientation walk. Free time to visit its many sites, from art museums to sprawling squares. Enjoy a night out with the group. Madrid's nightlife is world renowned!



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Hostel



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Orientation With CEO

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Free Time

Madrid

Head out and start exploring the city. Visit historical landmarks, tour a museum or head to a park for a picnic.



### Optional Activities - Day 15

Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum

Madrid

13EUR

1h-2h

The Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum displays an overview of art from the 13th century to the late 20th century.

Gran Vía Visit

Madrid

Free

1h-2h

Shop, stroll, and people watch on the capital's most exciting street, Gran Vía. Go early or late, the street stays awake all hours.

Museo Nacional Del Prado Visit

Madrid

15EUR

30m-1h

Take in some culture with a trip to the Museo del Prado, one of the greatest art galleries in the world, and a definite highlight of any Madrid trip. Be inspired by its collections and exhibitions: the museum's

main emphasis is 15th to 19th century Spanish, Flemish, and Italian art, but there is plenty of Goya and a wealth of paintings by Diego Velázquez.

Plaza Mayor Visit

Madrid

Free

15m-30m

Enjoy some spectacular people watching with a visit to the Plaza Mayor, the true heart of the city. Enjoy a coffee in one of the plaza's many cafes and watch the world go by.

Royal Palace (Palacio Real) Visit

Madrid

12EUR

1h-2h

See how kings and queens live, with a visit to the Palacio Real, the official (and uninhabited) palace of the King of Spain. Wander the rooms to take in some of the most elaborately decorated and furnished rooms you'll ever see.

Reina Sofia Museum

Madrid

12EUR

2h-3h

The Reina Sofia is Spain's national museum of 20th-century art, and currently boasts an art collection of over 21,000 works.

Day 16

## Madrid/Granada

Transfer to Granada in the morning, then dive into the city's vibrant life with an afternoon orientation walk.

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### Accommodation

Nest Style Granada (or similar)

Hostel

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### Today's Activities

Local Bus

Madrid - Granada

4h12m

420km

Climb aboard, grab a seat, and enjoy the ride.

Orientation Walk Granada

Granada

Enjoy a brief walk with your CEO. He/she will give you some tips on finding things like supermarkets, main squares, and ATMs. For more specific or in-depth information, an official guided tour is recommended.

Day 17

## Granada

Enjoy a free day in Granada. Opt to relax in one of the many hammam baths around town. In the evening, join your group for a tapas bar crawl. First drink's on us!

A trip to Granada wouldn't be the same without a night on the town; the city is filled with trendy tapas bars and has a lively music scene.

Please note that if you wish to visit the Alhambra, you must pre-book your tickets at least 3 months in advance through this website: <https://www.alhambra.degranada.org>

Tickets always sell out in advance, so be sure to pre-book a ticket to ensure access. This is a purely optional activity.



### Accommodation

Nest Style Granada (or similar)

Hostel



### Today's Activities

Free Time

Granada

Set out and see the sights.

Tapas Bar Crawl

Granada

1h-3h

Head out on the town to experience all culinary Granada has to offer. Enjoy a tapas bar crawl with the group in the evening. With each drink, a new plate of snacks arrives. With enough drinks, you won't have to buy dinner!



### Optional Activities - Day 17

Albaicín (El Albayzín) Visit

Granada

Free

1h-2h

Wander through the historic quarter of the Albaicin. Try to head there for sunset. With its narrow lanes and fantastic views back to the Alhambra, visitors are rewarded with a spectacular colour-washed skyline when the sun goes down.

Granada Cathedral (Cathedral of the Incarnation) Visit

Granada

5EUR

30m-1h

Be taken by the beauty of one of the largest cathedrals in Spain on this visit to the Cathedral of Granada. Tour its beautiful facades and interiors that house a grand altar and numerous chapels. Built by Queen Isabella, it is a masterpiece of Spanish-Renaissance style.

Day 18

## Granada/Seville

Journey to Seville and take an orientation walk with your CEO before some free time to explore. Opt to visit the Real Alcázar, a Moorish palace, or take in an evening flamenco show.



### Accommodation

Joy Plaza De Armas Hostel (or similar)

Hostel



### Today's Activities

Local Bus

Granada - Seville

4h-5h

Climb aboard, grab a seat, and enjoy the ride.

Orientation With CEO

30m-1h

Enjoy a brief walk with your CEO. He/she will give you some tips on finding things like supermarkets, main squares, and ATMs. For more specific or in-depth information, an official guided tour is recommended.

Free Time

Seville

Explore the winding alleyways and attractions of Seville.



### Optional Activities - Day 18

The Golden Tower (Torre del Oro)

Seville

3EUR

30m-45m

Dating to 1220, the Golden Tower is the last major building constructed by Seville's historic Muslim population.

Flamenco Show

18-30EUR

2h-3h

Enjoy a flamenco performance in the city known for the energetic dance. Be swept away by the flamenco's passion, fire, and grit!

### Alcázar Palace Visit

Seville

13.50EUR

2h-3h

Explore the wonderful interiors and gardens of the Alcázar, a royal palace that was originally a Moorish fort. Arrive during the evening in the summer months (until mid-September) and enjoy a series of concerts in the beautiful setting of the Reales Alcázares.

### Ronda Day trip

Seville

100-150EUR

6h-8h

Described by Ernest Hemingway as the most romantic town in Spain, Ronda is a quaint city 2 hours outside of Seville. Take a day trip to tour highlights such as a traditional Spanish bullfighting ring, incredible views of the El Tajo River gorge, and the wine museum.

### Casa de Pilatos

Seville

10-12EUR

1h30m-2h

Take a visit to marvel at one of the grandest mansions in Seville. The home is still inhabited by the Medinaceli family, but remains open to visitor tours during operating hours.

### Santa Paula Convent

Seville

2EUR

1h30m-2h

Take a visit to this beautiful historic convent. Established in 1475, this convent is still home to the Jerónimas nuns. Infrequent tours in Spanish are run here, but visitors are welcome to the modest museum displaying 16th-18th century ecclesiastical art and sculpture.

### La Giralda Visit

Seville

9EUR

1h-2h

Climb the tower known as La Giralda, adjacent to the world's largest Gothic cathedral, for spectacular views and a walk among historic walls. The 76m (249 ft) Giralda was constructed by the Moors as a mosque between 1184 and 1197. In 1568, after the reconquest, Christians fit the minaret with its bell tower.

### Santa Cruz Quarter Visit

Seville

Free

15m-45m

Visit the true heart of Seville, the Santa Cruz quarter. A charming area with winding alleys, picturesque lime-washed houses, flowery patios, and small squares, you can wander, shop, or just soak in the neighbourhood's quaint atmosphere while enjoying a refreshing drink (sangria, perhaps) at one of the local restaurants.

Day 19

## Seville/Lagos

Cross into Portugal, and enjoy the Algarve Coast.

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### Accommodation

Tag Hostel (or similar)

Hostel

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### Today's Activities

Free Time

Lagos

Spend the day enjoying the beautiful Algarve coast.

Local Bus

Seville - Lagos

2h45m-3h

275km

Climb aboard, grab a seat, and enjoy the ride.

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### Optional Activities - Day 19

Coastal Hike in Algarve

Lagos

Free

5km

Enjoy a hike along the famous golden cliffs and sandy coves of the Algarve. Pack water, sunscreen, and a camera, and you're good to go!

Benagil Sea Caves

Faro

30m-1h

Explore these amazing caves lining the beaches of the Algarve.

Swimming

Grab your bathing suit and go for a refreshing swim.

Day 20

## Lagos

Spend the day on the Algarve with free time for hiking, water activities, or chilling out oceanside.

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### Accommodation

Tag Hostel (or similar)

Hostel

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### Today's Activities

Free Time

Lagos

Spend free time today exploring the landscape on a hike or splashing in the waves.

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### Optional Activities - Day 20

Swimming

Lagos

Head to one of the five spectacular beaches around Lagos to spend some time floating in the waves. Dona Ana Beach is a golden sand oasis nestled between enormous rock formations boasts the best view, while Meia Praia and Batata Beach are near the town centre.

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Lagos

Free

5km

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Day 21

## Lagos/Lisbon

Journey up the coast to Portugal's vibrant capital, and enjoy an orientation walk. Free time to visit Cristo Rei for sweeping views of the area, check out the monuments of the Belem neighbourhood, or relax in a café. Indulge in the town's great nightlife on your Big Night Out.



### Accommodation

Sant Jordi Hostel Lisbon (or similar)

Hostel



### Today's Activities

Local Bus

Lagos - Lisbon

4h

Climb aboard, grab a seat, and enjoy the ride.

Orientation With CEO

30m-1h

Enjoy a brief walk with your CEO. He/she will give you some tips on finding things like supermarkets, main squares, and ATMs. For more specific or in-depth information, an official guided tour is recommended.

Free Time

Lisbon

Enjoy a free afternoon to explore.

#### ACTIVITY

Whether it's a pub crawl, drink specials or entry to a club, celebrate late into the night with your new best friends.



### Optional Activities - Day 21

Belém District Visit

Lisbon

Free-10EUR

1h-2h30m

Discover Belém, a western suburb that's linked to Portugal's Golden Age of Discoveries - it was the site where famous navigators once set sail to discover the world. While there, take some time to tour nearby must-see attractions: the Jerónimos Monastery, Belém Tower, the Tropical Botanical Garden,

and the Berardo Museum of contemporary art. Please note: most attractions in Belém are closed on Mondays.

Alfama District Visit

Lisbon

Free

1h-2h

Explore Lisbon's past in Alfama, one of the city's oldest quarters. Wander along narrow medieval streets lined with typical tile-covered façades and take a step back in time; the area largely survived the great earthquake of 1755, and still retains much of its original layout. Listen for Portugal's traditional music, fado, gracing the streets at night.

Praça da Figueira Market

Lisbon

Free

30m-1h

Take a wander through this traditional open-air market, established in 1755.

Sao Jorge Castle

Lisbon

15EUR

Climb up to this Moorish castle for a wander around the impressive grounds on a guided tour, and a great view over Lisbon and Tagus River.

Rossio Square

Lisbon

Free

Stop in this lively square to get a taste of the local hustle and bustle.

Santa Justa Lift

Lisbon

6EUR

Take a ride up 147ft from the lowest to highest points of Portugal. Sit back and enjoy the views.

Belém Tower

Lisbon

8EUR

Take a trip to the coastline to see this charming fort, built to protect Lisbon from raiders invading from the sea. Climb up the tower for great views of the ocean and surrounding city.

Day 22

## Lisbon

Depart at any time.

We highly recommend extending your stay to experience all that this vibrant city has to offer.



### Today's Activities

Departure Day

Not ready to leave? Your CEO can help with travel arrangements to extend your adventure.



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National Coach Museum

Lisbon

8EUR

Located in the lively Belém district, find dozens of ornately decorated horse-drawn carriages (fit for the kings and queens they used to carry) at the National Coach Museum. Housed in an old riding school, it's one of the most popular museums in Lisbon today.

Tuk Tuk Tour of Lisbon

Lisbon

100-250EUR

While tuk-tuks aren't a traditional mode of transport in Portugal, they're the perfect vehicle to explore the hilly streets of Lisbon in. There are lots of operators to choose from, with tours that visit popular sites and back alleys alike. Most use electric tuk-tuks, an eco-friendly way of sightseeing.

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## What's included

- Your G for Good Moment: Mescladis Cooking Class, Barcelona
- Your Welcome Moment: Meet Your CEO and Group
- Your First Night Out Moment: Connect With New Friends
- Your Discover Moment: Paris
- Your Foodie Moment: Eiffel Tower Picnic, Paris
- Your Discover Moment: Interlaken
- Your Big Night Out Moment: Interlaken
- Your Discover Moment: Rome
- Your Big Night Out Moment: Barcelona
- Your Discover Moment: Barcelona
- Your Big Night Out Moment: Lisbon
- Visit to the Leaning Tower of Pisa
- Cinque Terre park fee with unlimited train rides and CEO-led hike
- Visit to Monaco

- Tapas bar crawl (Granada)

- Orientation walks in Paris, Interlaken, Rome, Barcelona, Madrid, Granada, Seville and Lisbon

## What are the main highlights of this trip?

Picnic under the Eiffel tower, walk by ancient history in Rome, sample some of Europe's best cuisines, mingle with the locals on the French Riviera, explore Moorish palaces and great Iberian cities, chill out on the Algarve coast.

## Itinerary Notes

### ACCOMMODATION

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### COMBO TRIP

Please note that this tour combines with other G Adventures tours. As such, the staff and some travel companions on your tour may have previously been traveling together, prior to Day 1 of your tour. Likewise, some staff and travellers may be continuing together on another G Adventures tour, after your trip concludes.

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## Is there a disclaimer I should read before booking this trip?

The information in this trip details document has been compiled with care and is provided in good faith. However it is subject to change, and does not form part of the contract between the client and the operator. The itinerary featured is correct at time of printing. It may differ slightly to the one in the brochure. Occasionally our itineraries change as we make improvements that stem from past travellers, comments and our own research. Sometimes it can be a small change like adding an extra meal along the itinerary. Sometimes the change may result in us altering the tour for the coming year. Ultimately, our goal is to provide you with the most rewarding experience. Please note that our brochure is usually released in November each year. If you have booked from the previous brochure you may find there have been some changes to the itinerary.

**VERY IMPORTANT:** Please ensure that you view a final copy of your Trip Details a couple of days prior to travel, in case there have been changes that affect your plans.

## Is there an itinerary Disclaimer?

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.

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## What important notes should I be aware of before the trip?

1. It is important to note that in Europe, all guiding is based around local guides all of whom are licensed to work only in a particular city. As such, our leaders are able to provide orientation walks which will show you the layout of each town and city as well as the location of local services such as post offices and laundromats, but are unable to legally share historical facts and figures in public places.

2. In Europe it is very rare to find elevators in train stations, hotels or other public places. We use public transport on this trip, which means you will need to carry your luggage from platform to platform, in and out of trains and buses etc. and also possibly up several flights of stairs. You will also need to be able to stow your luggage safely on trains and buses. It is therefore essential that you pack light and bring luggage which is compact and lightweight, and which you can easily transport. The carrying of your luggage remains your responsibility at all times.

3. This trip has a fast-paced itinerary with some long transport days - please check the itinerary carefully before deciding if this trip suits your needs.

4. Please note that this tour combines with other G Adventures tours. As such, the staff and some travel companions on your tour may have previously been traveling together with G Adventures, prior to Day 1 of your tour. Likewise, some staff and travel companions may be continuing together on another G Adventures tour, after your trip concludes.

### 5. OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES NOTE:

During high season in Europe (May-October) we highly recommend booking reservations for any popular optional activities/museum tickets etc. in advance to avoid encountering sold-out activities on the ground while on tour.

## What is the group leader like?

This G Adventures group trip is accompanied by one of our CEOs (Chief Experience Officer). The aim of the CEO is to take the hassle out of your travels and to help you have the best trip possible. They will provide information on the places you are travelling through, offer suggestions for things to do and see, recommend great local eating venues and introduce you to our local friends. While not being guides in the traditional sense you can expect them to have a broad general knowledge of the countries visited on the trip, including historical, cultural, religious and social aspects.

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## How large will the group be?

Max 16, avg 10.

## What meals are included in this trip?

1 breakfast, 1 lunch

## What are the meals like on this trip?

Eating is a big part of traveling. G Adventures understands the importance of breakfast to start your day, we strive to include a basic breakfast wherever possible. A typical breakfast may include toast, coffee and tea, however this may vary depending on the city. Should breakfast not be included, your CEO can suggest some local options.

Travelling with G Adventures you experience the vast array of wonderful food that is available out in the world. Generally meals are not included in the trip price when there is a choice of eating options, to give you the maximum flexibility in deciding where, what and with whom to eat. It also gives you more budgeting flexibility, though generally food is cheap. Our groups tend to eat together to enable you to taste a larger variety of dishes and enjoy each other's company. There is no obligation to do this though. Your CEO will be able to suggest favourite restaurants during your trip. While trekking in remote regions etc. food is included, plentiful and made of fresh local ingredients.

For all trips please refer to the meals included and budget information for included meals and meal budgets.

## What are the modes of transportation on my trip?

Train, public bus, private bus, metro, plane, walking.

## What transportation will we take on this trip?

On this trip we will use local buses and trains for intercity transport and a mix of metro (subway), local bus, taxis and walking for transport between hotels and bus/train stations. Please be prepared to carry your own bags short distances (20-30 mins max) between hotels and transport, as well as to lift your bags on and off buses and trains. Please note that there is often limited luggage storage space on public transport.

18-to-Thirtysomethings trip transport:

As we rely heavily on public transportation during this trip, we ask you to be flexible for possible changes in the modes of transport and schedules, which may necessitate small itinerary changes.

Please note that the accommodation on overnight buses and trains varies in Europe. Overnight buses typically have airline-style reclining seats. On some overnight trains, tickets are for airline-style seats whereas other overnight journeys are in multi-share sleeper compartments. Please see day-to-day itinerary for specific information about accommodation type for overnight journeys.

## Is there an extra cost for travelling solo?

We believe solo travellers should not have to pay more to travel so our group trips are designed for shared accommodation and do not involve a single supplement. Single travellers joining group trips are paired in twin or multi-share accommodation with someone of the same sex for the duration of the trip. Some of our Independent trips are designed differently and solo travellers on these itineraries must pay the single trip price.

## Where will we stay during the trip?

Hostels (21 nts, multi-share with 4-6 people).

## What kind of accommodation can I expect on this trip?

The variety and local flavour of our accommodation is a favourite part of our European 18-to-Thirtysomethings trips. Although the properties we use are simply furnished and with few facilities, we base our choices on location, character and cleanliness. We will stay in a mixture of hotels, some hostels, and private rooms in local households.

All accommodation on this tour will be multi-share. This may involve 4-6 group members sharing and even (on rare occasions) dormitory-style rooms for the whole group. The majority of accommodation will have shared bathroom facilities.

Where we use multi-share hostels, rooming requests of any kind cannot be taken.

Note that most accommodation in Europe does not have air conditioning units in rooms. Air conditioning is not routinely installed in European homes and workplaces. However, nearly all hotels will provide a standing or desk fan for your room on hot nights. If you do not already have one in your room, please ask your CEO to organize one for you with reception. For private accommodation please see tours in our Classic Travel Style.

## What are the joining instructions?

For details of your joining hotel please refer to your tour voucher, G Account, the G Adventures App or contact your travel agent.

From Paris airport (CDG), you can reach the city centre in a few ways. You can take the RER B Train from the airport to the main stops in Paris, including Paris Gare du Nord. Alternatively, you can take the bus (Roissybus).

To arrange an arrival or departure transfer, we recommend you book through our preferred transfer provider - [Welcome Pickups](#)

We advise that you book both your arrival and departure transfers in advance. Please make sure you have the following details before booking:

- Flight number
- Flight Arrival Time and Date
- Flight Departure Time and Date
- Passenger's Name
- Number of Passengers
- Email
- Valid Mobile Telephone Number
- Drop off and/or Pick Up Address

Please note that day 1 is an arrival day and no activities have been planned on this day.

Upon arrival to your Joining Hotel (note that check-in time will be in the afternoon), look for a note or bulletin board in the reception with a note from your CEO. This note will give the details of your Welcome Meeting on day 1 (usually between 5pm and 7pm), where you will get a chance to meet your CEO and other travellers, as well as learn more about how the tour will run. If you don't see a note, please ask reception for details!

If you are arriving later and will miss the Welcome Meeting, your CEO will leave a note at reception for you with any information you may need, and with morning instructions for the next day.

## What happens if I experience problems when arriving?

We don't expect any problems, and nor should you, but if for any reason you are unable to commence your trip as scheduled, please refer to the emergency contact details provided in this dossier and contact us as soon as possible. If you have a pre-booked transfer, and you have not made contact with our representative within 30 minutes of clearing customs and immigration, we recommend that you make your own way to the Starting Point hotel, following the Joining Instructions. Please apply to your travel agent on your return for a refund of the transfer cost if this occurs.

## Who should I contact in case of an emergency?

Should you need to contact us during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call our G Adventures Local Office. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please leave a detailed message and contact information, so they may return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

### EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

G Adventures Office - London, United Kingdom

During office hours (Weekdays, 9am-5:30pm Local Time)

+44 20 7243 9870

If you are unable for any reason to contact our local office, please call the numbers listed below which will connect you directly with our Sales team who will happily assist you. Hours of operation by region can be found [here](#).

Toll-free, from calls within North America only: 1 888 800 4100

Calls from within UK: 0344 272 0000

Calls from within Germany: 0800 365 1000

Calls from within Australia: 1 300 796 618

Calls from within New Zealand: 0800 333 307

Outside North America, Australia, New Zealand, Germany and the UK: +1 416 260 0999

For absolute emergencies after office hours please contact: +44 7817 262559

If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please leave a detailed message and contact information, and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

## What should I take on my trip?

We recommend using a backpack for your convenience, or a medium-sized suitcase if you prefer. A daypack is also essential for carrying everyday items. Space is limited on transportation, so there is a limit of one main piece of luggage per person. You will be responsible for carrying your own luggage. You must be prepared to carry your luggage up and down stairs, on and off transportation, and to hotels (max 15-20 mins.)

# What should be on my packing list?

## Conservative Dress:

- Modest clothing that covers knees and shoulders (Long pants, long skirts, shirts that cover shoulders)
- Shawl or scarf (for temple visits)

## Documents:

- Flight info (required) (Printouts of e-tickets may be required at the border)
- Insurance info (required) (With photocopies)
- Vouchers and pre-departure information (required)
- Passport (required) (With photocopies)
- Visas or vaccination certificates (With photocopies)

## Essentials:

- Toiletries (required) (Shampoo, bodywash, soap, etc.)
- Binoculars (optional)
- Camera (With extra memory cards and batteries)
- Cash, credit and debit cards
- Day pack (Used for daily excursions or short overnights)
- Ear plugs
- First-aid kit (should contain lip balm with sunscreen, sunscreen, whistle, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, bandaids/plasters, tape, anti-histamines, antibacterial gel/wipes, antiseptic cream, Imodium or similar tablets for mild cases of diarrhea, rehydration powder, water purification tablets or drops, insect repellent, sewing kit, extra prescription drugs you may be taking)
- Flashlight/torch (Headlamps are ideal)
- Fleece top/sweater
- Footwear
- Hat
- Headphones (Noise-cancelling recommended)
- Locks for bags
- Long pants/jeans
- Moneybelt
- Outlet adapter
- Personal entertainment (Reading and writing materials, cards, music player, etc.)
- Reusable water bottle
- Shirts/t-shirts
- Sleepwear
- Small travel towel
- Sunglasses
- Swimwear
- Watch and alarm clock
- Waterproof backpack cover
- Windproof rain jacket

**Health & Safety:**

- Face masks (Clients will be only be required to wear a face mask where it is mandated by local regulations.)
- Hand sanitizer
- Pen (Please bring your own pen for filling out documents.)

**Warm Weather:**

- Sandals/flip-flops
- Sturdy water shoes/sandals
- Shorts/skirts (Longer shorts/skirts are recommended)
- Sun hat/bandana
- Swimwear

**When can I do my laundry on this trip?**

Laundry facilities are offered by some of our accommdation for a charge. There will be times when you may want to or have to do your own laundry so we suggest you bring non-polluting/biodegradable soap. Your CEO can also show you where the you can get your laundry done.

## What the visas and entry requirements for my trip?

All countries require a valid passport (with a minimum 6 months validity). Contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements, or see your travel agent. It is your own responsibility to have the correct travel documentation. Visa requirements for your trip will vary depending on where you are from and where you are going. We keep the following information up to date as far as possible, but rules do change and sometimes without warning. While we provide the following information in good faith, it is vital that you check the information yourself and understand that you are fully responsible for your own visa requirements.

Visa information specific to your destination and nationality can be found in our Important Pre-Departure Information page [here](#)

For other nationalities, travelling in Europe has been simplified with the introduction of the Schengen visa. As a visitor to the Schengen area (Austria, Germany, Netherlands, Belgium, Greece, Norway, Denmark, Iceland, Portugal, Finland, Italy, Spain, France, Luxembourg, Sweden, Czech Republic, Hungary, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia and Switzerland) you will enjoy the many advantages of this unified visa system. Generally speaking with a Schengen visa, you may enter one Schengen country and travel freely throughout the Schengen region during the validity of your visa. There are limited border controls at Schengen borders, if any at all.

Please note that the UK and Ireland are NOT part of the Schengen agreement.

A Schengen visa is applied for at the Embassy or Consulate of the Schengen country in which you will be spending the most nights on your trip to the Schengen space. If you are only visiting one country on your trip then you apply for your visa at the Consulate of this Schengen country.

As of 2025, various European countries are introducing ETIAS travel authorisation as an entry requirement for visa-exempt nationals.

We highly recommend you checking in advance how your nationality and country/s you are visiting may be affected. Further details can be found [here](#)

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## How much spending money do I need for my trip?

Every traveller is different and therefore spending money requirements will vary. Some travellers may drink more than others while other travellers like to purchase more souvenirs than most. Please consider your own spending habits when it comes to allowing for drinks, shopping and tipping. Please also remember the following specific recommendations when planning your trip.

## **What should I know about currency, credit cards, and exchanging money while on this tour?**

Credit cards and debit cards are very useful for cash advances but you must remember to bring your PIN number (be aware that many ATM machines only accept 4-digit PINs). Both Cirrus and Plus system cards are the most widely accepted debit cards. Visa cards are the most widely accepted credit cards. While ATMs are commonly available, there are no guarantees that your credit or debit cards will actually work - check with your bank. You should be aware when purchasing products or services on a credit card, that a fee usually applies.

Do not rely on credit or debit cards as your only source of money. A combination of Euros and cards is best.

Always take more rather than less, as you don't want to spoil the trip by constantly feeling short of funds.

## **How much emergency money should I bring on this trip?**

Please also make sure you have access to at least an additional USD \$200 (or equivalent) as an 'emergency' fund, to be used when circumstances outside our control (ex. a natural disaster) require a change to our planned route. This is a rare occurrence!

## **Should I be tipping on my trip?**

While conventions can vary from country to country, tipping is customary in Europe. A general rule is 10% of the bill for wait staff, and a smaller amount (€1 or €2) for other service providers.

Tipping is an expected - though not compulsory - component of your tour program, and an expression of satisfaction with the persons who have assisted you on your tour. Although it may not be customary to you, it is of considerable significance to the people who will take care of you during your travels. There are several times during the trip where there is opportunity to tip the local guides. You may do this individually, or your CEO will offer to collect the money and tip as a group. Recommendations for tipping local guides would range from €6-8 per day, depending on the quality and length of the service; ask your CEO for specific recommendations based on the circumstances and culture.

At the end of each trip, if you felt your G Adventures CEO did an outstanding job, tipping is expected and appreciated. The precise amount is a personal preference, however €42-€56 per person, per week can be used as a guideline.

# What activities are optional on this trip?

## Paris

- Eiffel Tower Visit (16EUR per person)
- The Louvre Visit (12-16EUR per person)
- Champs-Élysées Visit (Free)
- Napoleon's Tomb - Les Invalides Army Museum (12EUR per person)
- Moulin Rouge Dinner & Show (175-185EUR per person)
- Sacre Coeur Visit (Free)

## Giverny

- Monet's Giverny Gardens (10.20EUR per person)

## Interlaken

- Alpine Canyoning Adventure (119CHF per person)
- Chocolate Making Workshop (65CHF per person)
- Mountain Biking (70-100EUR per person)
- Jungfrau Cog Railway (91CHF per person)
- Hiking in the Swiss Alps (30-60CHF per person)
- Paragliding
- Ropes course

## Rome

- Pantheon Visit (2-5EUR per person)
- Borghese Gallery (25EUR per person)
- Christian Catacombs (8EUR per person)
- Roman Forum Visit (24EUR per person)
- Trevi Fountain (Free)
- Spanish Steps (Free)
- Colosseum Visit (24EUR per person)

## Vatican City

- Vatican City Visit (Free)
- Sistine Chapel (20-25EUR per person)
- Vatican Museum Visit (20-25EUR per person)

## Nice

- Promenade des Anglais (Free)
- Vieux Nice Visit (Free)
- Cathedral of Sainte Reparate (Free)
- Day trip to St Paul de Vence (3EUR per person)
- Museum of Modern & Contemporary Art (10EUR per person)
- Matisse Museum (10EUR per person)

## Barcelona

- La Barceloneta Visit (Free)
- La Sagrada Família Visit (17-37EUR per person)
- Gothic Quarter Visit (Free)
- Casa Batlló (25-30EUR per person)
- Parque Güell Visit (10EUR per person)
- Montjuïc Visit (5EUR per person)
- Las Ramblas Visit

## Madrid

- Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum (13EUR per person)
- Gran Vía Visit (Free)
- Museo Nacional Del Prado Visit (15EUR per person)
- Plaza Mayor Visit (Free)
- Royal Palace (Palacio Real) Visit (12EUR per person)
- Reina Sofia Museum (12EUR per person)

## Granada

- Albaicín (El Albayzín) Visit (Free)
- Granada Cathedral (Cathedral of the Incarnation) Visit (5EUR per person)
- Flamenco Show (18-30EUR per person)

## Seville

- The Golden Tower (Torre del Oro) (3EUR per person)
- Alcázar Palace Visit (13.50EUR per person)
- Ronda Day trip (100-150EUR per person)
- Casa de Pilatos (10-12EUR per person)
- Santa Paula Convent (2EUR per person)
- La Giralda Visit (9EUR per person)
- Santa Cruz Quarter Visit (Free)
- Swimming

## Lagos

- Coastal Hike in Algarve (Free)
- Swimming

## Faro

- Benagil Sea Caves

## Lisbon

- Belém District Visit (Free-10EUR per person)
- Alfama District Visit (Free)
- Praça da Figueira Market (Free)
- Sao Jorge Castle (15EUR per person)
- Rossio Square (Free)
- Santa Justa Lift (6EUR per person)
- Belém Tower (8EUR per person)
- National Coach Museum (8EUR per person)
- Tuk Tuk Tour of Lisbon (100-250EUR per person)

## Are there any health considerations I should know before travelling?

Please note inoculations may be required for the country visited. It is your responsibility to consult with your travel doctor for up to date medical travel information well before departure.

You should consult your doctor for up-to-date medical travel information well before departure. We recommend that you carry a First Aid kit and hand sanitizers / antibacterial wipes as well as any personal medical requirements. Please be aware that quite often we are in remote areas and away from medical facilities, and for legal reasons our leaders are prohibited from administering any type of drug including headache tablets, antibiotics, etc. When selecting your trip please carefully read the brochure and itinerary and assess your ability to cope with our style of travel. Please refer to the Physical and Culture Shock ratings in this dossier for trip specific information. For travellers over 70 years a completed Medical Form is required. G Adventures reserves the right to exclude any traveller from all or part of a trip without refund if in the reasonable opinion of our CEO they are unable to complete the itinerary without undue risk to themselves and/or the rest of the group.

## What do I need to know to about safety and security on my trip?

Many national governments provide a regularly updated advice service on safety issues involved with international travel. We recommend that you check your government's advice for their latest travel information before departure. We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes, which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage. When travelling on a group trip, please note that your group leader has the authority to amend or cancel any part of the trip itinerary if it deemed necessary, due to safety concerns. Your Chief Experience Officer (CEO) will accompany you on all included activities. During your trip you will have some free time to pursue your own interests, relax and take it easy and explore at your leisure. While your CEO will assist you with options available in a given location, please note that any optional activities you undertake are not part of your itinerary, and we offer no representations about the safety of the activity or the standard of the operators running them. Please use your own good judgement when selecting an activity in your free time. Although the cities visited on tour are generally safe during the day, there can be risks to wandering throughout any major city at night. It is our recommendation to stay in small groups and to take taxis to and from restaurants, or during night time excursions.

Water based activities have an element of danger and excitement built into them. We recommend only participating in water based activities when accompanied by a guide(s). We make every reasonable effort to ensure the fun and adventurous element of any water based activities (in countries with varying degrees of operating standards), have a balanced approach to safety. It is our policy not to allow our CEOs to make arrangements on your behalf for water based activities that are not accompanied by guide(s).

Swimming, including snorkeling, is always at your own risk. [Read more about travel safety](#) for ways to further enhance your personal safety while traveling.

## What rules should I know before joining this trip?

Illegal drugs will not be tolerated on any trips. Possessing or using drugs not only contravenes the laws of the land but also puts the rest of the group at risk. Smoking marijuana and opium is a part of local culture in some parts of the world but is not acceptable for our travellers. Our philosophy of travel is one of respect towards everyone we encounter and in particular the local people who make the world the special place it is. The exploitation of people in the sex trade is completely contrary to this philosophy. Our CEOs have the right to expel any member of the group if drugs are found in their possession or if they utilize the services of paid sex workers, in any capacity.

## Is travel insurance required for my trip?

Travel insurance is compulsory in order to participate on any of our trips. When travelling on a group trip, you will not be permitted to join the group until evidence of travel insurance has been sighted by your leader, who will take note of your insurance details. When selecting a travel insurance policy we require that at a minimum you are covered for medical expenses including emergency evacuation and repatriation. A minimum coverage of USD200,000 is required. We strongly recommend that the policy also covers personal liability, cancellation, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects. Some tours include adventure activities that require extra coverage (e.g. crampon use); please review your itinerary and make sure that you are covered for all included activities. If you have credit card insurance we require proof of purchase of the trip (a receipt of credit card statement) with a credit card in your name. Contact your bank for details of their participating insurer, the level of coverage and emergency contact telephone number.

## What is Planeterra?

Planeterra International Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to turning travel into impact by helping local communities earn an income from tourism. Planeterra connects underserved local communities to the benefits of tourism by developing and supporting small community-owned businesses. These businesses support Indigenous people, empower women, grant youth access to employment opportunities, and protect the environment. Planeterra also works to ensure these businesses have a thriving customer base by integrating their projects into G Adventures' itineraries globally.

G Adventures is Planeterra's largest corporate donor, covering all operating costs, so 100% of your donation will bring opportunity to people in need.

G Adventures Dollar-a-day Program - Make Every Day Count - Turn your travel into impact with [Planeterra Foundation](#).

Did you know? Most communities around the world do not benefit from tourism. Give back to the places you visit on your travels by creating opportunities for local people to earn an income, and protect the environment.

Make every day count by donating \$1/day for the length of your trip, and join us in empowering the communities you will visit when you travel. 100% of your donation goes directly to Planeterra projects.

## How should I dress to respect local customs during the tour?

In Italy, shoulders should be covered while visiting churches and cathedrals. Ask your CEO for more specific advice.

## How can I share feedback about my trip experience?

After your travels, we want to hear from you! Your feedback information is so important to us that we'll give you 5% off the price of your next G Adventures trip if your feedback is completed on-line within 30 days of finishing your trip. Your tour evaluation will be e-mailed to you 24 hours after the conclusion of your trip. If you do not receive the tour evaluation link in the days after your tour has finished, please drop us a line at [customersolutions@gadventures.com](mailto:customersolutions@gadventures.com) and we will send it on to you.

## Does G Adventures have an email newsletter I can subscribe to?

Our adventure travel e-newsletter is full of travel news, trip information, interesting stories and contests. To avoid missing out on special offers and updates from G Adventures, subscribe at [www.gadventures.com/newsletters/](http://www.gadventures.com/newsletters/)

Stay current on how our company invests in our global community through our foundation – Planeterra. Sign up for [Planeterra's monthly news](#) to learn more about how to give back and support the people and places we love to visit.

## How old must I be to join this trip?

Minimum age of 18 years for this trip.

## **Are international flights included in this trip?**

No, international flights are generally not included in the price of your tour.

However, on some combo tours travelling between two different countries, international flights are included as part of the itinerary and price of the tour. Please speak to your GCO or booking agent for further details.

In addition, check-in times and baggage allowances/restrictions vary by airline and can change at any time. For the most up-to-date information for your flight, please contact your airline. We recommend checking in online in advance to avoid potential delays at the airport.

## **What should LGBTQ+ travellers know about safety and travel considerations on this trip?**

The safety and well-being of all of our travelers is a priority at G Adventures and that includes our travelers who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community. We recognize that there are specific concerns and questions you may have about your adventure in terms of safety and security. We encourage you to visit our [LGBTQ+ page](#) for useful resources to ensure you feel safe and comfortable throughout the duration of your trip. The Equaldex tool linked on this page can be of particular help when deciding where you may want to visit next.

## Dossier Disclaimer

The information in this trip details document has been compiled with care and is provided in good faith. However it is subject to change, and does not form part of the contract between the client and the operator. The itinerary featured is correct at time of printing. It may differ slightly to the one in the brochure. Occasionally our itineraries change as we make improvements that stem from past travellers, comments and our own research. Sometimes it can be a small change like adding an extra meal along the itinerary. Sometimes the change may result in us altering the tour for the coming year. Ultimately, our goal is to provide you with the most rewarding experience. Please note that our brochure is usually released in November each year. If you have booked from the previous brochure you may find there have been some changes to the itinerary.

**VERY IMPORTANT:** Please ensure that you print a final copy of your Trip Details to review a couple of days prior to travel, in case there have been changes that affect your plans.

## Itinerary Disclaimer

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.