



## **Total Europe: Austria, the Mediterranean & Ancient Athens**

25 days, Munich to Athens

Trip code EDMAHW

## What's included

- Your G for Good Moment: Visit to Shedia Home, Athens
- Your Welcome Moment: Meet Your CEO and Group
- Your Foodie Moment: Street Food Tour, Venice
- Your Foodie Moment: Florence Market and Food Tour, Florence
- Hike along Lake Misurina
- Sample delicious local food in Rome, Florence, and Venice
- Take a boat to the island of Korčula along the Dalmation Coast
- Walk along the wall from Ston to Mali en route to Dubrovnik
- Walk to Kotor fortress at sunrise
- See Skadar Lake
- Visit the magnificent Monasteries in Meteora
- Experience the Delphi Ancient Ruins with your CEO
- Embark on a highlights walk of Athens
- Grab a drink at Shedia, a G Adventures —supported café
- Enjoy orientation walks and free time for optional activities in the major cities
- All transportation between destinations
- 24 hour metro passes in some key cities

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**VALIDITY:** Valid for all trips departing December 31st, 2026 and onwards

# Itinerary

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**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

## Munich

Arrive at any time, find a comfy spot in the hostel to relax or go out to explore before meeting fellow Roamies in the evening.



## 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.

Day 2

## Munich/Innsbruck

Get this adventure started with a CEO-led walk in Munich, followed by a train ride to Innsbruck in the afternoon. Nestled snugly in a picturesque valley with panoramic views of the alps, Innsbruck won't disappoint. Get your bearings on a short orientation walk and spend some time becoming familiar with your hostel and surroundings. Opt to wander along Maria Theresien Street, explore the Grassmayr Bell Foundry, or check out Ambras Castle, famous for its renaissance gardens. Get ready to fill your camera roll!



### Meals included

Breakfast



### Today's Activities

Munich Orientation Walk With CEO

Munich

Stroll around with your CEO and admire the sights while walking around Munich. Stop by the Marienplatz or town centre, the Hofbräuhaus, and/or the Frauenkirche Cathedral. This capital city of Bavaria is buzzing with life and a walk around is the perfect way to soak in the energy.

Train

Munich - Innsbruck

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

Innsbruck Orientation Walk With CEO

Innsbruck

Take a scenic tour of Innsbruck with your CEO, starting at Maria-Theressien Strasse and ending in the charming Old Town. If you have time, make sure to ride the cable car to Hafelaker from the heart of the city.

Day 3

## Innsbruck/Venice

Climb back onto the train to head into epic scenery of the Dolomites. Think filling your feed with crystal clear mountain lakes and snow-capped peaks. Don't forget that Venice is the end goal of today so pump yourself up for the famous canal city on the horizon. Tonight join your CEO for a nice cold beverage and see where the night takes you.

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### Meals included

Breakfast

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### Today's Activities

Train

Innsbruck - Venice

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

“Oh what a night, what a beautiful night...” This tends to be the song stuck in our heads whenever a visit to Venice is on the table. Can't you just hear that accordion? After becoming acquainted with Venice's cuisine on a CEO-led food tour, and learning of ghostly legends, the day is yours, no judgments here on what you decide to do. From canals to gondola rides, and inspiring architecture, what's not to love?

The main city is small enough that you can walk it in several hours with the added bonus of getting those steps in. Explore the canals, relax in the small squares, and go cafe-hopping for coffee, pastries, wine, or all three, because why not? See Venice from the water on a gondola ride through the canals, run through the pigeons or people watch in St. Mark's Square, take an elevator ride up to the top of the Campanile Di San Marco for panoramic views of the city below. Your only real job today is to have a blast!!



## Meals included

Breakfast

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## Today's Activities

ACTIVITY

Indulge your inner foodie with a street food tour in Venice. Follow your CEO through this unique city and experience Italy in the best possible way, through food.

Venice ghost tour : Venice Events

Venice

Experience the spine-tingling tales surrounding the mysteries of Venice's alleyways. Steps into the shadows (with your CEO, of course) to learn where history and the paranormal collide.

Free Time

Venice

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## Optional Activities - Day 4

Campanile San Marco Lookout

Venice

8EUR

Climb to the top of the Campanile - Venice's tallest building - to take in a great bird's eye view of the cityscape and lagoon.

Doge's Palace (Palazzo Ducale) Visit

Venice

17EUR

Visit this former palace, rebuilt and restored numerous times, and admire the Gothic Venetian architecture. Once the seat of the government, the Palazzo Ducale is now a grand museum. Enjoy the stellar artwork, ornate chambers, and courtyards.

Gallerie dell'Accademia

Venice

12EUR

Featuring works from famed artists including Bellini, Tintoretto, and Veronese, there is no better place to delve into the history of Venetian art.

Day 5

## Venice/Florence

We promise your tastebuds will thank you and rejoice with what's on the menu for today's adventure. All aboard the train from Venice to Florence. Being one of Italy's most sought after food capitals, make sure you stuff your face while here. Eat the city's signature pasta and venture out of those comfort zones to sample any specialty dishes you may stumble upon. Your CEO will point you in the right direction on CEO-led food and market tour.

This evening happens to be perfect if you are looking to relax, eat some more (if you can), or recover from those food comas in your hostel before a quick highlight tour of the city.



### Meals included

Breakfast

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### Today's Activities

Train

Venice - Florence

2h30m

255km

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

#### ACTIVITY

Enjoy the local specialities on this CEO-led market and food tour. Take in the sights, sounds, and smells, and enjoy every moment.

Live your best life on this free day in Florence! Grab some pals, lace up those walking shoes, and let the good times roll. Take in famous works of art hung in the Uffizi and Galleria dell'Accademia. "Oh and ah" at the grand architectural masterpieces of the Duomo and the Palazzo Pitti, and smell the flowers in Boboli Gardens. Looking for more chill vibes? We got you covered. Walk along the Arno and over the Ponte Vecchio before eating your way through the Firenze's many cafes, ristoranti, and gelato shops.



## Meals included

Breakfast



## Today's Activities

Free Time

Florence

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## Optional Activities - Day 6

Ponte Vecchio Visit

Florence

Walk across this medieval bridge and look over the Arno River to feel the romance of this city. Jewelers, art dealers and souvenir shops run the length of the bridge, featured in many master paintings.

Medici Chapels Visit

Florence

9-32EUR

1h-1h11m

Admire the opulence of the two Medici Chapels. The Sagrestia Nuova was designed by Michelangelo and built as a mausoleum for the powerful Medici family.

Piazza della Repubblica Visit

Florence

Join your CEO for a walk to the Piazza della Repubblica - site of the city's ancient Roman forum - then ride on a unique wooden carousel maintained by the same family for five generations.

National Museum of Bargello

Florence

15.75EUR

Explore this museum, housed in one of the earliest buildings in Florence (dating to 1255). Stroll through the corridors to learn about the history of this site and its many uses, and see the fantastic works from master artists such as Donatello and Michelangelo.

Mercato Centrale (Mercato di San Lorenzo) Visit

Florence

Pick up a purse (or several!), leatherbound journals, Florentine paper, and any off-colour David statue souvenirs you wish.

Il Duomo di Firenze Visit

Florence

Free-30EUR

1h-2h

This green, pink, and white marbled 13th century basilica is one of Italy's largest churches and its brick dome is the largest ever constructed. Wander through the cathedral or choose to climb the 463 steps to the top of the dome and be rewarded with extraordinary views of the city!

Uffizi Gallery Visit

Florence

25EUR

1h-2h

Head to the Uffizi Gallery to see spectacular Botticelli and Leonardo da Vinci paintings in person.

Day 7

## Florence/Rome

Leave Florence behind and catch the train to Rome. Upon arrival grab your travel mates and enjoy a walking tour before letting your appetites run wild on an afternoon food tour; cue those Italian fantasies. Sample pizza, gelato and more as you learn about the heart and soul behind Italian cooking.

The night is yours! Did someone say dance party?

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### Meals included

Breakfast

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### Today's Activities

Train

Florence - Rome

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

Food Tour in Rome

Rome

Get a true taste of Italy's cuisine on a food tour in Rome. Try dishes you always imagined and immerse yourself completely in the Italian culture.

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.

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### Optional Activities - Day 7

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.

St. Peter's Square Walk

Rome

3-5EUR

With your CEO, explore St. Peter's Square, located in Vatican City. Created in the 17th century by Bernini, the square has an elliptic shape, surrounded on two sides by colonnades before St. Peter's Basilica. Statues sit atop the colonnades. At the center of the ellipse stands an Egyptian obelisk that was transported from Egypt to Rome during the reign of Emperor Augustus.

From gardens to museums and gelato to slices of pizza we're pretty sure you'll have your hands full (literally) on this free day in Rome. You can visit the mighty Colosseum, home to past gladiator tournaments. Walk up the 135 stairs of the Spanish steps. Meander around the Roman Forum; one of the most important Roman ruins in Italy, and stare up at the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel (knowing you could probably never paint something as grand). Whatever you decide, make sure you meet up for tiramisu, limoncello, a glass or two of wine and whatever else you crave along the way. When in Rome right?

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>



## Meals included

Breakfast



## Today's Activities

Free Time

Rome

On this free day in Rome you can visit the mighty Colosseum, the Spanish steps, the Roman Forum, the Sistine Chapel and much more.



## Optional Activities - Day 8

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.

Trevi Fountain

Rome

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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!

Day 9

## Rome to Split

It's all about those good vibes and finding that connection today. Say, "Arrivederci Rome", as you cruise towards the Adriatic Coast. Once we arrive in Ancona you'll board an overnight ferry to Split, Croatia. Sleeping cabins are included and we bet you'll have some stories to tell afterwards. We can't wait to hear them!

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### Meals included

Breakfast

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### Today's Activities

Free Time

Rome

Enjoy a free morning in Rome to explore. Check out the famous Colosseum, Trevi Fountain, or the Pantheon. If tickets are required, we recommend purchasing in advance.

Private Vehicle

Rome - Ancona

4h30m

Settle in and scan the scenery from the comfort of your private vehicle.

Ferry

Ancona - Split

Get to the next spot on your route aboard a convenient and efficient ferry boat.

Wipe the sleep from those eyes with a quick breakfast onboard the ferry. Then, on your mark, get set, GO explore the second largest city in Croatia! Modern life and ancient history collide here ensuring there's plenty of experiences to keep you preoccupied. The only challenge? Seeing as much as you can without rushing it. We'll let you in on a secret. For the best views of the city consider climbing the bell tower of St. Domnius Cathedral, then head out on a sightseeing guided tour to explore Old Town and Diocletian's Palace. But after all this we wanted to do you a favour, so we'll give you back your evening to do as you will. Think drinks in the hostel with new friends, or heading out on the town for a night of laughter and dancing. Doesn't sound like you could go wrong.



## Meals included

Breakfast



## Today's Activities

Split Guided Tour

Split

During this Split sightseeing tour walk to UNESCO protected Diocletian's Palace and through Old town.

Diocletian's Palace is one of the most imposing Roman ruins in Europe. It took over 10 years to construct and is built of white stone imported from the island of Brač. Visiting this UNESCO World Heritage site is a perfect way to learn more about the history of Split.



## Optional Activities - Day 10

Mestrovic Gallery

Split

30HRK

Filled with the incredible sculptures of Croatian artist and architect Ivan Meštrović, this gallery is beautiful inside and out. The gallery is housed in a villa designed by Meštrović as a summer home which overlooks a wonderful garden where you can view more sculptures and enjoy the breeze from the sea.

Bacvice Beach Visit

Split

Free

Head to this local hot spot to soak up some rays or play in the calm waters. The sandy shores are often packed with rows of lounge chairs and umbrellas, but it's still a great place to spend some time if you're

looking to cool off. Visit some of the cafes along the waterfront, wade out into the shallow water, or rent a lounge chair and relax.

Marjan's Peak Visit

Split

30EUR

3h-4h

For spectacular views of the city, make sure to visit Marjan's Peak. The area has nice hiking and biking trails for those that want to embrace nature and escape the port town.

St Duje Cathedral Visit

Split

15-40HRK

The Cathedral of St Duje is said to be the oldest cathedral in the world, built around 305 AD. Climb up the bell tower for excellent views of Split and the surrounding port area.

Day 11

## Brač/Split

Get your sea legs ready for a ferry ride to the island of Brač today. Stroll along the beautiful beaches or head into the heart of Supetar, the largest town on the island. Get your fill of historic buildings, tasty food, and completely unbeatable Mediterranean views before returning to Split.



### Meals included

Breakfast



### Today's Activities

Ferry

Split - Otok Brač

Get to the next spot on your route aboard a ferry boat.

Free Time

Brač

Experience the island life with a free day in Brač. Use your day to explore Supetar, go to the beach, or fill your feed with insta worthy shots of the Island.

Ferry

Otok Brač - Split

Get to the next spot on your route aboard a ferry boat.

Day 12

## Split/Dubrovnik

Did someone say Peljesac Peninsula? No? Well anyway, you'll see some of this gem on your way from Split to Dubrovnik. Wave your goodbyes as you head toward a place renowned for the best red wine in Croatia. Wander the Wall of Ston, from Ston to Mali. Then continue down the coast to live your best life in Dubrovnik.

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### Meals included

Breakfast

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### Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Split - Dubrovnik

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

Visit to Ston & Walk Along Wall

Ston

Ston is famous for its Artisan salt production and best oysters in Europe. Upon arrival to Ston walk the Ston wall from Ston to Mali Ston (5.5km).

Day 13

## Dubrovnik

Wake up in the iconic Dubrovnik, and enjoy free time before heading out with your travel besties on a group walk through the Old Town. Play eye spy and see if you can spot Dubrovnik Cathedral, Lovrijenac Fort, and a Franciscan Monastery. Afterwards, revel in the timeless atmosphere of this port city. You might never leave and we wouldn't blame you.

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### Meals included

Breakfast

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### Today's Activities

Free Time

Dubrovnik

There's plenty to see and do; now is your time to explore.

Dubrovnik Orientation Walk With CEO

Dubrovnik

Enjoy a brief walk with your CEO around the city of Dubrovnik. Walk with your CEO and explore Dubrovnik old town, walk from the gate via main street called Stradun to the end. See Dubrovnik Cathedral, Lovrijenac Fort, and Franciscan Monastery. All visits are from outside with no entrance fees included.

Day 14

## Dubrovnik

You have a whole day ahead of you to experience Dubrovnik as you please. Admire one of the most gorgeous coastlines in the world, stroll along the city's walls, hike up to Minčeta Fortress; the highest fort in Dubrovnik only accessible from the city walls. (yes, we know it sounds cool!) Hunt down some Game of Thrones filming locations (there are plenty) and let out your inner Khaleesi! Grab a towel, find a place to swim your heart out, kayak for unique views of the city from the water, and perhaps end your day sipping a beverage and witnessing a gorgeous sunset from a cliff top bar. Sounds like a win in our book.



### Today's Activities

Free Time

Dubrovnik

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### Optional Activities - Day 14

Rector's Palace

Dubrovnik

115HRK

1h-2h

Originally built in the 12th century, today's Rector's Palace is a cultural history museum with an intriguing past. A mix of Renaissance and Gothic architecture, it began as the seat of Dubrovnik's rector, becoming a place for merchants and citizens of the republic to gather by the 16th century. In the atrium, you'll find a statue of Miho Pracat, one such merchant who bequeathed his wealth to the city. Wander the galleries and admire paintings, sculptures and furniture from Croatia's past. Today the courtyard is a venue for music and cultural performances - and is often used as a filming location for shows such as Game of Thrones.

Museum of Croatian War of Independence

Dubrovnik

5EUR

1h-2h

Hop in a cable car to the top of Mount Srd and take in a bird's eye view of the walled city of Dubrovnik. Admire the vistas surrounding this ancient fortress perched above the Adriatic Sea, then make your way to the Croatian War of Independence Museum housed in a wing of Fort Imperial. Built to commemorate the war which lasted from 1991-1995, find artifacts such as documents, photos, military equipment, maps and other everyday objects from Croatians who lived through the siege. Pause for a moment at the memorial plaque, engraved with the names of those who died defending the city.

## Cable Car Ride

Dubrovnik

30EUR

Get an amazing view of the rows of red roofs of Dubrovnik and the sea on a scenic cable car ride. While you slowly creep up the side of the mountain, look down on the winding streets and out to the nearby oceans. If you run out of time during the day hop on the cable car near sunset to see the tints of pink, red, and orange spread across the sky.

## Dubrovnik City Wall Walk

Dubrovnik

40EUR

1h-2h

Head out on your own to explore the city's ancient walls. A trip to Dubrovnik isn't complete without doing this 2km (1.1 mi) walk. See highlights along the way that include Fort Minceta, Fort St. John, Fort Lawrence, Fort Revelin, and St. Luke's Tower. There are three main entrances to the city walls, the principal one located by the Inner Pile Gates.

Pull out those travel journals and cross another country off your bucket-lists today because it's time to leave Croatia behind and give some love and attention to Montenegro. All of the boxes will be checked today, beautiful sites, quaint villages, and your first glimpse of Kotor Bay, a unique fjord of the Adriatic.

You'll check out the historic village of Perast. Think marvellous buildings, postcard-like churches, and a romantic waterfront that seems to feature in every painting of European sailing towns. Rest of the day you get to hang out with your super cool and fun CEO. They will take you on a highlights walk of UNESCO protected Kotor and show you places like the Old City, St. Tryphon Cathedral, and the famous Clock Tower. Don't let the fun end here! Make a plan and keep hanging out and see if your CEO can accompany you to a few hole in the wall places that will make your time here truly unique.



## Meals included

Breakfast



## Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Dubrovnik – Kotor

3h-4h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle to Kotor via Perast.

Perast Visit

Perast

Visit the small seaside town of Perast for a taste of the quaint in Montenegro.

Kotor City Exploration

Kotor

15m-30m

Take some time to explore this picturesque town surrounded by a walled fortress built by the Republic of Venice. Kotor has a Mediterranean feel to it and the bay offers a stunning backdrop for photographs.

Amazing views and a magical experience are on the menu for today. It all starts as the sun rises over the land on a morning hike up the Ladder of Kotor. Grab some fun group photos with your CEO as you revel in the views.

The rest of the day belongs to you. Explore, bop around, and experience Kotor as you wish. Even if that means laying low at the hostel with a few friends, we won't judge, in fact, the best moments often happen when you least expect them. Cat lovers rejoice! Because Kotor has their very own Cat Museum you can visit. Not feeling an afternoon of felines? That's ok, walk into the impressive interior of St. Nicholas' Church, hop on a boat and visit Our Lady of the Rocks, or book an excursion to Blue Cave for a bucket-list worthy swim spot.



## Meals included

Breakfast

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## Today's Activities

The Ladder of Kotor Hike

Kotor

Hikers looking to get their adrenaline pumping should strap on their boots and head toward the Krstac Pass, standing 940m (3,083 ft) above the Old City. There's no better compliment to an increased heart rate than incredible views, and that's exactly what you'll get here. Be prepared with a camera and lots of water.

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## Optional Activities - Day 16

Donji Stoliv Hike

Kotor

Follow a less challenging hike along the fjords lining the northern border, enjoying amazing views of the bay along the way, before coming upon the quaint fishing village of Donji Stoliv. This hike is mostly flat and is best enjoyed during the day.

The Ladder of Kotor Hike

Kotor

Hikers looking to get their adrenaline pumping should strap on their boots and head toward the Krstac Pass, standing 940m (3,083 ft) above the Old City. There's no better compliment to an increased heart

rate than incredible views, and that's exactly what you'll get here. Be prepared with a camera and lots of water.

Kotor Maritime Museum

Kotor

5EUR

At the Maritime Museum, explore the history, culture and living artifacts that connect modern Kotor with its centuries-old naval traditions. Learn about the Boka Marines, a fraternity of sailors and navigators who helped shipbuilding flourish in the Balkans.

Sea Kayaking

Kotor

20EUR

Head out by sea kayak to fully appreciate this gorgeous area. Start just outside the Old Town walls and explore the coast. Stop at a beach bar for a break or a swim.

Kotor - Tivat Inland Tour

Kotor

40EUR

Tour the twin cities of Kotor and Tivat, with visits to the town of Cetinje and Lovcen National park. This tour is a perfect chance to explore inland and experience all the varied environments and historical architecture Montenegro has to offer.

Tour includes all transportation and tickets.

Another day, another dollar. Just kidding, it's free to make awesome memories with your friends and it's guaranteed that you will as you travel along the Montenegrin coastline towards Tirana, Albania. Make a pit stop overlooking St Stefan, part island, part luxury resort. It's a great place to get out, stretch those legs and pretend you have just arrived on your private yacht like most guests do. From there you'll get to visit Dolphin-shaped Lake Skadar on the border of Albania and Montenegro. Explore the area surrounded by steep mountains, island monasteries, and crystal-clear waters by foot.

Finish the day in Tirana with a half day guided walking tour through the streets featuring Skanderbeg Square!



## Meals included

Breakfast



## Today's Activities

St Stefan Overlook Visit

Sveti Stefan

St Stefan is a fortified village that dates back to the 15th century. The island has a unique setting of cobbled lanes, lush courtyards, and unbeatable views of the sea. This part luxury resort, part island, has been referred to as one of Europe's most luxurious hotels. Stop at a lookout point here to stretch those legs and take in the scenery.

Private Vehicle

Kotor - Tirana

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

Lake Skadar National Park

Kotor

Take a visit to the breathtaking Lake Skadar National Park. A short bus ride from Kotor, this dolphin-shaped water body is the largest lake in the Balkan region, and is one of the richest bird habitats in Europe.

Guided Walking Tour of Tirana

Tirana

Walk through the streets of Tirana with a local guide. Visit Skanderbeg Square and experience Albanian hospitality.

Day 18

## Tirana

The day is yours! Take advantage of free time and get to know Tirana. One of Europe's best-kept secrets, this city hardly ever makes travel bucket lists. Tirana boasts a wide range of optional activities that are guaranteed to charm you. Opt to hike through national parks in the area, or maybe explore history museums that unveil Tirana's turbulent past. Check out food markets full of local cuisine and sweets while you admire the local landmarks of this special place.

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### Meals included

Breakfast

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### Today's Activities

Free Time

Tirana

Today, Tirana is the cultural, political, and entertainment center of Albania. While remnants of the city's Ottoman, Italian, and communist past are still present, Tirana is still becoming a modern European metropolis. See for yourself during your free day exploring.

Choose to visit the Skanderbeg Square, where the National History Museum, the National Library, City Hall and the Et'hem Bej Mosque all reside. Or walk the Murat Toptani street in search of places to browse for keepsakes of your time here. Don't forget to grab some lunch at a traditional Albanian restaurant.

Day 19

## Tirana/Corfu

It's no secret that travelling is exhausting! Build up that energy with breakfast in the hostel then drive along the coastal route to Saranda known fondly as the "Albanian Riviera". Strap those sea legs on as you catch the ferry from Saranda to the island of Corfu where once you arrive you'll have free time to grab a drink, explore Corfu, and laugh it up with your pals at the hostel.



### Meals included

Breakfast



### Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Tirana - Saranda

4h30m-5h30m

265km

Enjoy a private transfer from Tirana to Saranda Ferry port with a stop for lunch along the way.

Ferry

Saranda - Corfu

1h

Get to the next spot on your route aboard a convenient and efficient ferry boat.

Free Time

Corfu

Hang out in Corfu tonight. Grab some drinks, find a fun place to eat, and plot out tomorrow's adventure.



### Optional Activities - Day 19

Lekuresi Castle

Saranda

Free

1h-2h

If you are looking to get a glimpse into Ottoman history, take a visit to Lekursi Castle. Built in the 16th century by Sultan Suleymani, this complex was designed to protect the city from coastal invaders. The site now offers visitors an interesting place to take an afternoon stroll, while taking in panoramic views of Corfu and Ksamil islands in the distance.

Mirror Beach Visit

Saranda

Take a taxi south to Mirror Beach, a secluded natural bay. If you are looking for some quite time in paradise (read: turquoise waters and limestone cliffs), this is the place.

Bay Visit

Saranda

Free

1h-4h

Take a walk along the town's horseshoe shaped beach. Grab a scoop of ice cream, rent a paddle boat, or try the catch of the day at a seaside restaurant,

Day 20

## Corfu

Wake up in paradise and know that the choice is yours today and there's nothing holding you back! Take a taxi and explore the UNESCO-listed town, wander by the laundry swaying in the sea breeze and search for a place to grab lunch and a cocktail or two.

Searching for something more exciting and unique? Chill out on an olive oil tasting experience, or learn about bees and honey production in Corfu. Looking for more adventure? Visit an ancient monastery on steep cliffs overlooking the azure waters. Want to just relax? Lay out beachside working on your tan and swimming in the refreshing waters. Turns out you really can't go wrong on this Greek island. Tonight, opt to go out with the group to Corfu Town and hit up some of the best nightlife spots. The transfer to and from the hostel is included if you choose to go.



### Meals included

Breakfast



### Today's Activities

Free Time

Corfu

Free time in Corfu today! Plenty of time to do as you please and discover some hidden gems.



### Optional Activities - Day 20

Achilleion Palace, Museum and Gardens

Corfu

10EUR

2h-3h

Marvel at Queen Sissi of Bavaria's tribute to Greek mythology at the Achilleion Palace, 30 minutes south of Corfu. Built in 1890, the palace grounds are filled with marble statues, delicate fountains and beautifully landscaped gardens that overlook the coastline. Used as a set for the James Bond film "For Your Eyes Only", this splendid sanctuary is worth the drive out of town.

Archaeological Museum Corfu

Corfu

3EUR

See some of the amazing artifacts housed at the Archaeological Museum of Corfu, including relics excavated from the ancient city of Corfu, Cassiope, the Gorgon pediment and The Lion of Menecrates. While small, this museum is a great place to see local artifacts and get a sense of the area's history.

Mon Repos Beach

Corfu

1.50EUR

1h-3h

Take a walk on this beach to discover more of the beautiful Kanoni peninsula.

Palaido Frourio

Corfu

Climb up this fortress (which also happens to be constructed out of the remains of a Byzantine castle) and be rewarded by a spectacular 360 view of Corfu.

Temple of Artemis

Corfu

Free

The Temple of Artemis was built in 580 BC and is the first known example of a Doric temple built with stone. Though many of the temple's preserved columns have been transferred to a nearby museum, the ruins are still considered a milestone of Greek architecture.

Hiking Corfu

Corfu

Stretch your legs and explore the picturesque island of Corfu on foot. Your CEO will be happy to help with planning a hike!

Day 21

## Corfu

A day all yours to relax in paradise. You can visit St Spyridon Cathedral, boasting the highest bell tower in the Ionian Islands. Witness remnants of a different way of life at the Paleokastritsa Monastery, where the monks also cultivate olives and press their own oil. (insider tip, it's sold at the gift shop). You're welcome. Then, indulge your vacation side swimming or lying in the warm sands of the chill and soothing Paleokastritsa Beach. It sits at the end of a long inlet with high rock walls offering natural privacy on both sides (the exact kind of beach we like best). Or maybe walk out to the end of a narrow jetty off the southern edge of the Kanoni Peninsula for a chance to see the Vlacherna Monastery before treating yourself to some beach hopping at Canal d'Amour, Mirtiotissa, and Issos beaches. Your friends back home will wish they came too!



### Meals included

Breakfast



### Today's Activities

Free Time

Corfu

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While it's hard to not be sad when you leave the island life behind, we have a feeling where you head next will make you do a happy dance. Travel to Kalambaka, the town next to Meteora via public bus and enjoy free time to explore the magnificent Monasteries.

Perched on insanely high cliffs there are six still available for visiting. They were built on these immense natural pillars and hill-rounded boulders and make for a once-in-a-lifetime sight. See as many as you can and try not to succumb to a fear of heights.

In the evening, you may want to relax in your hostel, play some games as a group, and show off those epic photos you took.



## Meals included

Breakfast

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## Today's Activities

Ferry

Corfu - Igoumenitsa

Get to the next spot on your route aboard a convenient and efficient ferry boat.

Local Bus

Igoumenitsa - Meteora

3h30m

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

Guided Sunset Meteora Tour

Meteora

Explore the spectacular "hanging" monasteries of Meteora, perched atop pinnacles of rock. Meteora translates to 'suspended in the air', which describe the seemingly precarious placement of these historic, sacred structures built at 613m (2011 ft) above sea level. Take a private bus up to see the several monasteries in the area, built before any roads or settlements existed in the area. Entrance to one monastery is included, but you will have time to purchase additional tickets if you want to gaze inside more.

Day 23

## Meteora/Delphi

Wave “antio sas”(that’s good-bye in Greek) to Meteora and Kalambaka as the group heads to Delphi on a private bus. Once you arrive you’ll have time to grab some lunch before joining your CEO to visit the Delphi Archaeological Site. Afterwards, take advantage of free time to view the exhibits at the museum, and snap some photos of the Temple of Apollo. Temples, and Gods, and Greek Mythology, oh my!

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### Meals included

Breakfast

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### Today’s Activities

Private Vehicle

Kalampáka - Delphi

3h30m

235km

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

Ancient Delphi Tour

Delphi

3h-3h30m

Visit the ancient city of Delphi, at the base of Mount Parnassos. The UNESCO World Heritage Site includes ancient buildings like treasuries, a stadium, a gymnasium, an altar, hippodrome and the Temple of Apollo.

Sit back, relax, and think about the wonderful times you've already had as you transfer from Delphi to Athens. Head out on a CEO led highlights walk of Athens and lay your eyes on famous landmarks before visiting Shedia, a G Adventures–supported café where you will have a drink and learn about the mission of this incredible place.

In the evening let loose on your final night! Grab some cool beverages as a group and let those good times roll.



## Meals included

Breakfast



## Today's Activities

### ACTIVITY

Take time to relax at Shedia Home, a non-profit cafe providing purpose and employment to over 150 individuals experiencing homelessness in Athens. You'll enjoy a drink while one of Shedia's guides recounts the recent history of Greece's financial crisis which has made initiatives like Shedia even more important for those who have found themselves without work and shelter. Your stop here supports their programs - including the cafe, art program, and magazine - all dedicated to supporting the community.

Athens Orientation Walk With CEO

Athens

Head out on a CEO led highlights walk of Athens and lay your eyes on famous landmarks like, The Parthenon, the Acropolis, and the Temple of Zeus.

Private Vehicle

Delphi - Athens

2h15m

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

Say goodbye to your Roamies and depart at any time, or keep the adventure going. It's your choice and you don't have to go home just yet. Right?

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## Meals included

Breakfast

## What's included

- Your G for Good Moment: Visit to Shedia Home, Athens
- Your Welcome Moment: Meet Your CEO and Group
- Your Foodie Moment: Street Food Tour, Venice
- Your Foodie Moment: Florence Market and Food Tour, Florence
- Hike along Lake Misurina
- Sample delicious local food in Rome, Florence, and Venice
- Take a boat to the island of Korčula along the Dalmation Coast
- Walk along the wall from Ston to Mali en route to Dubrovnik
- Walk to Kotor fortress at sunrise
- See Skadar Lake
- Visit the magnificent Monasteries in Meteora
- Experience the Delphi Ancient Ruins with your CEO
- Embark on a highlights walk of Athens
- Grab a drink at Shedia, a G Adventures–supported café
- Enjoy orientation walks and free time for optional activities in the major cities
- All transportation between destinations
- 24 hour metro passes in some key cities

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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 a travel disclaimer for my itinerary I should review before booking this trip?**

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.

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

## 1. CLIMATE

Weather in all countries visited is similar in May – October period. Summer is warm but rainy with 8 – 9 hours of sunshine.

## 2. YOUR CEO

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. Your CEO will be able to help you find a local guided tour in each location if you would like one.

## 3. LUGGAGE

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.

## 4. 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 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.

# How large will the group be?

Max 24, Avg 16.

# What meals are included in this trip?

23 breakfasts

## **What are the meals like on this trip?**

Eating is a big part of traveling. 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. The above information applies to G Adventures group trips. For Independent trips please check the itinerary for details of meals included. 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?**

Private vehicle, train, boat, and walking.

## **What transportation will we take on this trip?**

Most transport on this trip will be by private vehicle, except for when the group will take the train from Venice to Florence and Florence to Rome. They will travel by overnight ferry between Ancona and Split, then take a hydrofoil to Korcula and a ferry between Saranda and Corfu. Local buses will be used between Corfu and Delphi, ending with a private transfer from Delphi to Athens.

This tour includes some long travel days, but we believe those hours of travel are more than worth it for the reward of seeing so much of this breathtaking region in a short space of time, so unfold your map and get ready to enjoy some beautiful landscapes between Munich and Athens.

Between transport and hotels you may be required to carry your luggage short distances (up to 20 mins walk).

## **Is there an extra cost for travelling solo?**

We believe single 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 single travellers on these itineraries must pay the single trip price.

## **Where will we stay during the trip?**

Hostels (21 nts), hotels (2 nts), overnight ferry (1 nt).

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

On this trip you can expect to stay in hip and lively hostels in excellent central locations to give you maximum time for exploring the sights. You can expect to find clean, safe, simple accommodation in convenient locations. The group will also spend the night on a ferry when travelling between Ancona and Split.

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.

Accommodation will be primarily in multi-share hostels (typically 6-8, but up to 10-12 people per room), with a choice of mixed gender and female-only dorms.

Some rooming exceptions may apply due to the unique nature of the itineraries and of the hostels themselves, which have been specifically chosen to give local flavour to your trip. Please see the full itinerary description and the Rooming Exception section below for specific exceptions to the rooming that may apply to this tour.

## 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 Munich airport (MUC), you can reach the city centre in two ways: by train (S-Bahn) or by bus (Lufthansa Express Bus). Simply follow the signs to the train station underground or head to the bus stop outside Terminal 1. Purchase your ticket from the machines before boarding. If you choose the S-Bahn, look for trains heading to Munich Hauptbahnhof (central station) or Marienplatz. If you prefer the bus, it will take you directly to Munich Hauptbahnhof.

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, as soon as possible please contact your starting point hotel, requesting that you speak to or leave a message for your CEO (if you are not on a group tour please refer to the emergency contact details provided in this dossier). If you are unable to get in touch with your leader, please refer to our emergency contact details.

## 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 NUMBER

G Adventures Berlin office: +44 7817 262559

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

## Are there any additional packing suggestions I should consider?

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?

## Cold weather:

- Long-sleeved shirts or sweater
- Scarf
- Warm gloves
- Warm hat
- Warm layers

## Documents:

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

# What are 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.

## VENICE ACCESS FEE:

On April 25th 2024, Venice introduced a new tourist entry requirement. Travellers who are only visiting Venice for the day are charged a tourist fee imposed by the city.

We kindly request that you visit the [Venice Access Fee Homepage](#) to complete the form prior to travel. Completing this form stating you are staying overnight will exempt you from this fee. Please check the specific dates on the link above - if your departure is affected, please follow the steps below:

- If your tour STARTS in Venice (this includes arriving into Venice prior to tour start date) you will need to complete this form prior to arrival.
- If your tour TRAVELS THROUGH Venice, your CEO will assist with this requirement on tour.
- If your tour FINISHES in Venice (this includes staying in Venice after the tour finish date), your CEO will assist with this requirement on tour.
- Once you have clicked on the above link, you will find a specified announcement with the concerned dates. Double-check if your stay in Venice happens to fall into one of these dates.
- Click on Exemptions.
- Choose "I am a guest of an accommodation facility located in the municipality of Venice".
- Continue to Request Exemption.
- Put the start and end date of your Venice stay.
- Fill all the requested information of the "Main Holder" - (which is you!). Read the privacy policy before going to the next step.
- Fill the Main Holders personal data (Name - Surname - Place of Birth - Date of Birth) as per passport.
- Enter your contact number.

- Double-check the data summary before confirming it and going into the next step.
- You will now have to make a toll-free call to the number displayed on the screen, using the same phone number you filled beforehand. The call does not require a response.
- Once you have successfully verified the telephone number, you can now download your voucher containing a specific QR code.

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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## **What should I consider when planning my personal expenses and discretionary spending for this itinerary?**

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 €3-5 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 €30-€40 per person, per week can be used as a guideline.

# What activities are optional on this trip?

## Venice

- Campanile San Marco Lookout (8EUR per person)
- Doge's Palace (Palazzo Ducale) Visit (17EUR per person)
- Gallerie dell'Accademia (12EUR per person)

## Florence

- Ponte Vecchio Visit
- Medici Chapels Visit (9-32EUR per person)
- Piazza della Repubblica Visit
- National Museum of Bargello (15.75EUR per person)
- Mercato Centrale (Mercato di San Lorenzo) Visit
- Il Duomo di Firenze Visit (Free-30EUR per person)
- Uffizi Gallery Visit (25EUR per person)

## Rome

- Trevi Fountain (Free)
- Spanish Steps (Free)
- St. Peter's Square Walk (3-5EUR per person)
- Pantheon Visit (2-5EUR per person)
- Colosseum Visit (24EUR per person)

## Split

- Mestrovic Gallery (30HRK per person)
- Bacvice Beach Visit (Free)
- Marjan's Peak Visit (30EUR per person)
- St Duje Cathedral Visit (15-40HRK per person)

## Dubrovnik

- Rector's Palace (115HRK per person)
- Museum of Croatian War of Independence (5EUR per person)
- Cable Car Ride (30EUR per person)
- Dubrovnik City Wall Walk (40EUR per person)

## Kotor

- Donji Stoliv Hike
- The Ladder of Kotor Hike
- Kotor Maritime Museum (5EUR per person)
- Sea Kayaking (20EUR per person)
- Kotor - Tivat Inland Tour (40EUR per person)

## Saranda

- Lekuresi Castle (Free)
- Mirror Beach Visit
- Bay Visit (Free)

## Corfu

- Achilleion Palace, Museum and Gardens (10EUR per person)
- Mon Repos Beach (1.50EUR per person)
- Hiking Corfu
- Archaeological Museum Corfu (3EUR per person)
- Palaio Ffourio
- Temple of Artemis (Free)

## 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 for trip specific information. 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 CEO has the authority to amend or cancel any part of the trip itinerary if it is deemed necessary due to safety concerns. Your 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 or 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 judgment 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.

Protests and Demonstrations- Protests and demonstrations, even those that are well intended, have the potential to turn violent with no warning. Counter protests can also turn violent. Action by security forces to disperse demonstrators and protesters may occur at any time. If you are in an area where demonstrators or protesters are gathering, avoid the temptation of staying for a good photo opportunity and leave the area immediately.

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.

We take all prudent measures in relation to your safety. For ways to further enhance your personal safety while traveling, please visit:

[www.gadventures.com/travel-resources/safety/](http://www.gadventures.com/travel-resources/safety/)

## 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: 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 CEO, who will take note of your insurance details. When selecting a travel insurance policy please bear in mind that all clients must have medical coverage and that we require a minimum coverage of USD 200,000 for repatriation and emergency rescue. We strongly recommend that the policy also covers personal liability, cancellation, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects. 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 can I share feedback about my trip experience?

Earn 5% off your next G Adventures Tour (up to \$100 USD)\*

After your travels, we want to hear from you! Your feedback information is so important to us and to thank you for your time, we are pleased to offer a 5% discount (up to a maximum of \$100 USD) off your next G Adventures holiday. All you need to do is submit the form within 4 weeks of the completion of your tour, and you'll be able to join the thousands of travellers who have taken 2, 3, 4 or even 10 or more tours with us!

Discount cannot be combined with other offers or applied to 'Independent' style trips. Maximum discount value is \$100 USD (or equivalent currency). Valid for new bookings only. G Adventures reserves the right to withdraw or modify this offer at any time without notice. Limited to one discount per person.

## 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.