



3 Weeks in Europe

London to Barcelona through 11 cities: day-by-day plans, transport between stops and where to stay

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Are you traveling to Europe and looking for the perfect Europe itinerary?

If so, this is the right place to start.

We, as regular European travelers, have created this post to guide you through Europe. This complete and detailed Europe itinerary includes the top European places to visit, minimising distances and time wasted traveling, so you can make the most of your time.

It also includes essential travel tips that will help you planning and booking your trips, and designed city itineraries, with the main highlights in every destination and a selection of the best accommodation.

As you can see, we have done all the meaty part, now the trip plan is done, you just need to read and then book your next adventure in Europe!

Is a rail pass worth it?

Often yes, but the pass itself has changed. **Eurail and Interrail merged on 9 September 2026**: there is now a single Interrail pass, open to everyone regardless of nationality or where you live, instead of one pass for Europeans and another for visitors.

Whether it pays depends on your route. Reservations are usually optional on long-distance trains in Germany, Austria, the Netherlands and Switzerland, but in France, Italy and Spain inter-city trains are all-reserved like planes and you pay a reservation fee on top of the pass. Night trains always need a reservation — worth it anyway, because you save a night of accommodation.

How many countries can I visit in Europe in 2 weeks?

Although that will depend on how fast you want to visit, normally you will need to allow **an average of 2 days per destination**. You also need to take into account the days you are traveling.

How do I plan an itinerary in Europe?

1. Check when is the best to visit Europe
2. Check your options on how to get to Europe
3. Select the places you will like to visit and place them on the map
4. Decide what is the best way to move around and from one point to another.
5. Check for the accommodation.

Europe Itinerary Planning Tips



Planning your Europe itinerary in advance is vital as it means, saving a lot of money. If you know the dates you are going to travel to Europe, you can then start booking some transport tickets, accommodation (with free cancelation is advisable) and apply for a visa if needed.

We recommend to book in advance specially when you are visiting Europe during the peak season, like summer or Christmas, otherwise, you might struggle finding decent accommodation or transport during the dates you need it.

Below you will find useful information to help you plan your trip successfully, let's see what it is.

Entry rules: UK ETA, EES and ETIAS

This itinerary starts in London and then crosses into the Schengen area, so two different sets of rules apply. Neither of them existed when we first wrote this guide, and both catch people out.

The United Kingdom. Visitors who do not need a UK visa now need an Electronic Travel Authorisation before they travel. It costs £20, it is valid for two years for stays of up to six months at a time, and **every traveller needs their own, babies and children included**. You apply on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk).

The Schengen area: the Entry/Exit System. The EES started on 12 October 2025 and has been fully operational in 29 European countries since 10 April 2026. The first time you cross the external border, your facial image, fingerprints and passport details are registered; from then on your entries and exits are recorded digitally and **passports are no longer stamped**. Allow extra time for that first crossing — on this route it is usually the Eurostar terminal at London St Pancras, where the French border check happens before you board.

The Schengen area: ETIAS. ETIAS is the travel authorisation that visa-exempt visitors will need for 30 European countries. It is **not running yet**: the European Union dropped its planned last-quarter-2026 date in July 2026 and the launch is now expected in 2027, with no official date yet. It will cost €20, it will be valid for three years or until your passport expires, and applicants under 18 or over 70 will not pay the fee. Check the [official ETIAS site](#) before you travel, and ignore any website that offers to sell you one today.

Best time to visit Europe

Europe is a destination that you can visit Europe all year round. There is always something going on in each season; if you decide to visit Europe during summer -peak season- chances are, sunny days, longer days, the perfect time to go to the beach, summer events... and a lot of visitors. If you go during the winter season, you can enjoy snow sports, Christmas Markets, northern lights, and parades.

There is always something worth to visit at any time of the year. Something you need to be aware of before traveling to Europe is, that there are big differences between the weather in the southern countries and the northern ones.

For example, during the summer season, temperatures can rise to thirty-something degrees in the southern countries. However, it is very unlikely to happen in the northern ones, where it can be very cold, even if it's summer.

Having mentioned that, once you know the dates of your trip to Europe, you should check the temperatures and pack accordingly.

You might want to check: [The Perfect Backpacking Packing List And Tips For How To Pack Like A Pro](#)

How to get to Europe.

The best way to get to Europe is by plane. Airports in Europe are quite modern and normally fast and easy to get to them.

For the recommended Europe itinerary, we are going to start in London. London has 6 major international airports, all of them have connections to the city center in an average time of 45 minutes.

It doesn't matter which airport you choose to fly to, it depends on the price of your ticket, choose the cheapest, as it makes no difference.

Lastly, to get the best prices, we recommend you to use [Skyscanner](#), they have the best deals.

[Compare airlines, dates and prices all in one place with Skyscanner](#)

How to move around in Europe.

By Plane

The fastest way to move around Europe is by plane. Sometimes, it is the only way to move from one point to the next one, so we recommend you, to plan in advance so you can find better deals. In Europe, there are many budget airlines, like Ryanair, Easyjet, Wizz Air... The only issue with these companies is that prices are lower than other companies, but they've got some limitations.

Bus

Traveling by bus is one of the cheapest way to move around in Europe (Not the fastest though)

Europe has magnific connections that will allow you to move by bus to most of the destinations we recommend in our Europe itinerary. Moving around by bus is perfect if you are traveling on budget and have time to do so. We recommend you to book your trips [here to find the cheapest rates.](#)

Train

Trains are always a good way to move around in Europe as there are an extensive rail network connecting lots of destinations. Traveling Europe by train is quite comfortable and less stressful than by plane, you just sit down and enjoy the views.

We recommend booking your tickets in advance if you know your dates, that way you will find cheaper tickets. The other option, if your dates are still open, is a rail pass. Since **Eurail and Interrail merged on 9 September 2026** there is a single Interrail pass, open to everyone whatever your nationality. It is not a free-for-all, though: in Germany, Austria, the Netherlands and Switzerland you can usually just hop on, while in France, Italy and Spain the inter-city trains are all-reserved and you pay a reservation fee on top of the pass. On this itinerary that is most of the second half.

Car

One way to move around Europe is by renting a car. That way you can move around freely, without tight schedules. However, you will need to check your driving license and apply for a European or international driving license, in case yours is not valid.

We recommend you to check [Rentalcars](#), one of the best networks to find the best renting cars at the best price.

In addition to renting a car, you can also make use of [BlablaCar](#) a carpooling platform where you can share the trip with someone's car.

Taxi

Taxis are a convenient way to move around in the cities in Europe when you want to save some time, as public transport sometimes can be slower. It is normally more expensive than public transport but you can find good deals using apps like Uber. We recommend you to download them on your phone

so you can make use of them whenever you need them. One of the highlights of these apps is that you can check your trip before booking and they will give you the estimated price of your ride.

Pro-tip. To find the best routes and deals, check [Omio](#). They are specialists in finding the best ways to move around in Europe with the most competitive prices.

Where to stay in Europe. Best websites to find top accommodation

Choosing the right place to stay during your trip to Europe is really important. Here we have listed the best websites to find accommodation during your trip.

One thing about the hotels and hostels we recommend further down: **we have taken the old nightly prices out of this guide**. They were from 2019 and 2020 and not one of them is true any more. Every name links to its live listing, so what you see is today's rate.

- [Booking.com](#). Booking.com is one of the most trustworthy websites to book accommodation. Here you can find the best accommodation by checking the location, reviews, services, and price. Here you can also find flash offers with amazing discounts and, very important, some accommodation offer free cancellation, in case you change your plans.
- [Agoda.com](#). Agoda.com is another website to find accommodation with the best deals. Here you can also check customer reviews, location, and services. We would recommend you to check both sites to find the best deals.
- [Hostel World](#). With Hostel World you can find the best hostels all around the world. This is a great choice if you are traveling on a budget or if you're a solo- traveler, as you will have the opportunity to meet lots of travelers in the hostels.
- **Airbnb**. Airbnb offers marvelous and unique accommodations mostly everywhere. From normal apartments to luxury treehouses in the woods, or stunning villas, even an unusual stay in a boat... The difference between Airbnb and other platforms is that the accommodation offered here, belongs to particulars, so you contact them directly through the app. Now you can also book top experiences with Airbnb.
- [Couchsurfing](#). This platform offers you the opportunity to be hosted by a local in their house. This way you can not only make more friends but also, discover the places from an inside point of view. For us, it is an excellent way of traveling.

Europe Itinerary travel resources.

During your trip to Europe there are some travel resources that you will need. If you would like to download the full travel resources list to keep it on your phone [click here](#), it could be a great tool for you when traveling. In the meantime, we will show you some other travel resources that you might need.

Book your flights

We always use [Skyscanner](#) to find the best flight deals, specially when we haven't been able to book in advance, with [Skyscanner](#) we can still find the best prices. You can use it to find intern flights or international flights.

Visa Regulations

To check the visa requirements and regulations, [check iVisa](#), a trustworthy and transparent service to get your visa effortless and efficiently. We recommend you to check whether you need to get a visa or not for your trip to Europe, and if you need it, this is a great place to get it sorted.

Maps online and offline

To get the best maps of the cities, download [Citymapper](#). It only works in some cities, so check when you arrive whether yours is covered. If it is, you are lucky! As this app shows you the best ways to move around, the distance, the time it takes and you can use the public transport offline.

Another option, to have the map of the city even when you're offline, is [maps.me](#). It is an absolute asset when you have no internet. The only thing to remember is to download the map while you still have a connection, so you can use it later.

City Tours and Experiences

The best way to get to know a destination is by walking around with a local that can tell you interesting facts about the place. We love to book walking tours when we visit a place for the first time and we also love to complete our trips booking some experiences. We recommend you to use [GetYourGuide](#). This platform shows you all the activities that are going on in the places you visit. It is a great way to book tours in advance as well as local experiences. Also if you would like to surprise someone during your trip, you can check your options here.

Currency and Exchange Converter

Another essential for us is to have a good currency and exchange converter in our phones. This way is easy to know how much you are paying when traveling and to keep track of your expenses. We always use [XE Converter](#) as it is easy to use and you can combine different currencies.

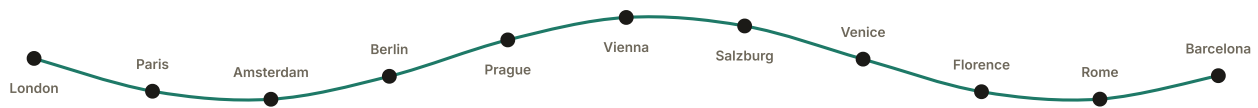
Car Rental

Another way to move around Europe as we mentioned before is by renting a car. It is very important to book your car with a trusted company otherwise, your trip can get ruined. We always use [Rentalcar](#), as you can find here the best prices and there are more than 180 companies all around the world to choose.

Travel Insurance

We strongly recommend you to get a great travel insurance when you are traveling abroad, specially for this kind of trips. From our experience, we know how important it is to have someone that can help us if we have a problem on the road, and that is why we never travel without insurance. We compare the options in our [guide to backpacker travel insurance](#).

Complete 3-week Europe Itinerary.



[Open this route in Google Maps →](#)

Let's get your Europe itinerary started!

This Europe itinerary is meant to cover the main sightseeing spots and some other special places in Europe, including day to day itineraries in the cities and recommended accommodation.

It has been especially created for first time visitors that want to get a bit of everything from this amazing destination.

1. London, England



We have to say that after living in London, we know the city pretty well. The cosmopolitan city of London is splurged with impressive landmarks, such as the Big Ben or the Tower of London. Stunning parks to go for a walk like Hyde Park, St. James or Regents Park.

It also owns some of the most complete art collections and masterpieces in its renowned museums like the British Museum or the National Gallery. In London you will also find vibrant neighbourhoods, awarded international restaurants and unique bars. London is one of the unmissable cities in your Europe itinerary.

For more detailed information about London, check this helpful post: [3-day London Itinerary. The best things to see and do.](#)

If you are visiting London in winter, don't forget to check [the best Christmas markets in London](#).

Day 1

- St, Paul's Cathedral
- Borough Market
- London Bridge
- The Shard
- Tower Bridge
- St Katharine Docks Marina
- Tower of London
- Skygarden

Day 2

- Buckingham Palace
- St Jame's Park
- Westminster Abbey
- Westminster Bridge
- London Eye
- Trafalgar Square
- Picadilly Circus
- Regent Street

Book ahead in London. Sky Garden is free but needs a booking (released on Mondays, three weeks ahead). Westminster Abbey costs £31 unless you go to a service. Buckingham Palace only opens to visitors in summer (July to late September).

Where to stay in London

\$ [PubLove @ The Rose & Crown.](#) Affordable accommodation in the city center, nearby the main sightseen spots.

\$\$ [London House Hotel.](#) Three stars hotel perfectly located and close to train stations and bus stops.

\$\$\$ [Shangri-La Hotel at The Shard, London.](#) Top luxury hotel in London, famous for its stunning views.

Getting to the next destination

From London to the next destination is about 2h20 on the Eurostar. Get your train from **London St Pancras International** to **Paris Gare du Nord**. You can check your tickets [here](#).

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2. Paris, France



Paris is one of the most visited cities in Europe. Also known as the city of love, Paris is famous for its stylish display of sublime architecture and monuments, distinguished and sophisticated gastronomy and exceptional museums.

Paris offers its the oportunity to stroll trough the parisian neighbourhoods and experience the magic of this city. Visitors can also enjoy romantic boat rides, breathtaking attractions, authentic cabaret shows... As you can see there are so many reasons to visit this destination.

Day 1

- Louvre
- Jardins Tuileries
- Petit Palais
- Grand Palais
- Pont Alexandre III
- Champs-Élysées

- Arc de Triomphe
- Montmartre

Day 2

- Notre-Dame Cathedral
- Panthéon
- Luxembourg Gardens
- Les Invalides
- Eiffel Tower

Notre-Dame is open again. The cathedral reopened on 8 December 2024, five years after the fire. Entry is free and there is no ticket to buy: you can reserve a free time slot on the cathedral's own website or app a few hours before you go, and anyone selling you a "ticket" is not official. Go early — it took over 11 million visitors in its first year.

Louvre and Eiffel Tower. Since January 2026 the Louvre costs €32 for visitors from outside the EEA (€22 for EEA residents); book a time slot on the official site, compulsory in July and August. At the Eiffel Tower, tickets to the top by lift cost €36.70, and from 29 September 2026 you also need to book to climb the stairs.

Where to stay in Paris

\$ [HotelF1 Paris Porte de Châtillon](#). One of the most affordable accommodations in Paris, not far from main attractions (public transport is needed).

\$\$ [Hotel Residence Europe](#). Mid-range accommodation with comfortable rooms in Clichy, just outside the Paris city limits and a short metro ride from the centre.

\$\$\$ [Le Pavillon de la Reine & Spa](#). Luxury and sophisticated accommodation in the center of the city, with elegant rooms.

Getting to the next destination

From Paris to your next destination, Amsterdam is about 3h20 on the Eurostar (the former Thalys) from **Paris Gare du Nord** to **Amsterdam Centraal Station**.

You can check your price and dates [here](#).

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3. Amsterdam, Netherlands



Amsterdam is one of our recommended stops in the Europe Itinerary. Amsterdam is a charming city with lots o canals to explore on foot, quirky museums to visit, beautiful parks, great cafes and a much more. A great thing about Amsterdam is that it can easily be visited in one day as the city center is small and it has got so many things to see and do.

Day 1

- Jordaan
- Floating Flower Market
- Rijksmuseum
- Vondelpark

Day 2

- De Oude Kerk
- Damrak
- Dam Square
- Royal Palace
- Anne Frank House
- A walk through De Wallen

Two things have changed in Amsterdam. Guided tours of the Red Light District were banned on 1 April 2020, paid and free alike, so we have taken that off the second day — you can still walk

through De Wallen yourself. And Amsterdam charges the highest tourist tax in Europe: **12.5% of the room price, before VAT**, on top of what you pay for the room, and since January 2026 VAT on accommodation has gone up from 9% to 21%. Together that is roughly a third on top of the room rate, so budget for it. The Anne Frank House only sells tickets online: they are released on Tuesdays, six weeks ahead, and sell out fast.

Where to stay in Amsterdam

\$ [The Flying Pig Uptown](#). Affordable hostel in Amsterdam in the city center, nearby Vondelpark.

\$\$ [CityHub Amsterdam](#). Great accommodation with a friendly atmosphere, located 1 km away from main attractions.

\$\$\$ [Morgan & Mees](#). Sophisticated accommodation in the west part of the city, situated within walking distance from sightseeing spots.

Getting to the next destination

From Amsterdam to the next destination it takes only 1 hour and 25 minutes by plane (or about 5h45 on the direct ICE train from Amsterdam Centraal) from **Amsterdam Airport Schiphol** to **Berlin Brandenburg (BER)**. If an older guide sends you to Schönefeld, ignore it: Schönefeld stopped being an airport in October 2020 and became BER's Terminal 5, which was closed for good in 2022. Every flight now lands at Terminal 1 or 2. To check prices and dates click [here](#)

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4. Berlin, Germany



Berlin, the stunning capital city of Germany is another important stop in our Europe itinerary. A vibrant multicultural city that had a key role in history, home of many renowned artists, musicians, scientists and so on. A city famous for its culture and laid back atmosphere where the ethos is “live and let live” where freedom and creativity is a lifestyle.

Day 1

- Reichstag Building
- Brandenburg Gate
- Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe
- Tiergarten
- Gendarmenmarkt
- Museum Island

Day 2

- Berlin Cathedral
- Berlin Wall Memorial
- East Side Gallery
- Alexanderplatz

Museum Island: the Pergamonmuseum is closed for renovation until 4 June 2027. The other museums on the island are open.

Where to stay in Berlin

\$ [ONE80° Hostels Berlin](#). Perfectly located hostel in Berlin, with very affordable prices.

\$\$ [Radisson RED Berlin Kudamm](#) (formerly Park Plaza Berlin Kudamm). Mid-range hotel on the Kurfürstendamm, close to the city centre.

\$\$\$ [Mercure Berlin Wittenbergplatz](#). 4-stars hotel, originally decorated and with a good location.

Getting to the next destination

From Berlin to Prague you can take the EuroCity train (about 4 hours, every two hours from Berlin Hauptbahnhof) or the bus (about 4 hours with Flixbus from Berlin Südkreuz). Two things to know in 2026: until 12 December most Monday trains are cancelled for engineering works, and since 3 August the long-distance buses in Prague stop on Opletalova street instead of Florenc. To check prices and dates, click [here](#).

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5. Prague, Czech Republic



The next stop in our Europe itinerary will be Prague, one of the most beautiful cities in Europe. You cannot visit Europe and skip Prague as it has so much on offer for its visitors. World-class museums, baroque architecture, UNESCO monument, quirky cafes, amazing 360° views of the city... and the best beer!

There are so many reasons to stop by in Prague and soak in all you can, from historic facts, to walk around the charming streets of the city.

Day 1

- Prague Castle
- St. Vitus Cathedral
- The Royal Palace
- St. George's Basilica
- Golden Lane
- Lobkowitz Palace

Day 2

- Church of St. Nicholas
- Charles Bridge
- Old Town Square
- Old Town Hall and Astronomical Clock
- Estates Theater

Where to stay in Prague

\$ [Little Quarter Hostel](#). Hostel very close to the city center.

\$\$ [Hotel U Zlateho jelena](#). Top mid-range hotel in the city center, and very charming.

\$\$\$ [Hotel Waldstein](#). Charming and sophisticated hotel, perfectly located. It also includes breakfast.

Getting to the next destination

From Prague to Vienna is just a 4-hour journey by [train](#), from **Praha hlavní nádraží** to **Wien Hauptbahnhof** (about 4 hours with ČD/ÖBB Railjet or RegioJet). To check prices and dates, click [here](#).

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6. Vienna, Austria



Perfectionated until the last detail, this gorgeous is the capital city of Austria and one of the most beautiful cities in Europe. Vienna trasures truly art master pieces in their art-filled museums and imperial architecture which gives the city an air of greatness. Vienna also hosts an important musical heritage thanks to numerous classical artist becoming a musical soul-stirring city.

Day 1

- Liechtenstein City Palace
- Maria Theresian Platz
- Hofburg Palace
- Spanish Riding School of Vienna
- Stephansplatz
- St Stephen's Cathedral

Day 2

- Belvedere
- Karlskirche
- Musikverein and State Opera House
- Museumsquartier
- Spittelberggasse
- Volksgarten
- Rathaus

Where to stay in Vienna

\$ [Do Step Inn Central](#). Budget accommodation only 1km away from some of the highlights in Vienna. Very safe thanks to the use of codes to leave luggage and to enter the place.

\$\$ [Hotel Mercure Wien City](#). Mid-range hotel situated only 800m from the city center. Rooms are modern and they also have a terrace to relax after a lon day exploring the city.

\$\$\$ [Radisson Blu Style Hotel, Vienna](#). Luxury hotel in the city center. It is a beautiful hotel, with all the necessary amenities to make you feel like home.

Getting to the next destination

To get from Vienna to Salzburg we recommend you to take the train, as it is just a 2h and 22 minutes trip. Trains leave from **Vienna Central Station** and it arrives at **Salzburg Hbf**. [Click here to check dates and timetables](#)

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7. Salzburg, Austria



Settled in the foothills of the Alps, Salzburg is presented as a fairytale destinationis. This small city is full of culture and history, famous for being Mozart's birthplace. Salzburg is the perfect place to get immersed for a day in its German, and Austrian-Hungarian culture, visiting the city fortress, walking around its winding roads and admiring the baroque style of its architecture.

Morning Itinerary

- Mirabell Palace
- Mirabell Garden
- Mozart- Wohnhaus
- Mozart's Birthplace
- Stift Nonnberg

Afternoon Itinerary

- Hohensalzburg Castle
- Salzburg Cathedral

Where to stay in Salzburg

\$ [Plaza Inn Salzburg City](#). The cheapest of our three in Salzburg, and perfectly located.

\$\$ [Hotel Vier Jahreszeiten Salzburg](#). Traditional and comfortable mid-range hotel, situated within walking distance from the center of the city.

\$\$\$ [Small Luxury Hotel Goldgasse](#). Located in the heart of Salzburg this hotel is part of a historic building which makes it unique and a top notch option to stay in Salzburg.

Getting to the next destination

To get to Venice from Salzburg, you need to go by [train](#). The fastest takes around 5h 40 minutes. Departure from **Salzburg Hbf** arriving at **Venice Mestre**. You can check prices and dates [here](#).

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8. Venice, Italy



Venice is one of the most special and romantic cities in Europe. Famous for the beauty of its canals crossing the city, and its breathtaking architecture. Venice is a city that cannot be missed when visiting Europe.

Use this stop to walk around the canals watching the gondolas, stop by a local cafe to get a taste of that renowned Italian coffee or wine, watch the gorgeous sunset... Venice will probably steal your heart after your first visit.

Day 1

- St. Mark's Square
- Basilica di San Marco
- Torre dell'Orologio
- Doges Palace
- Bridge of Sighs
- Gondola Ride

Afternoon Itinerary

- Ca' Rezzonico
- The Grand Canal
- Rialto Bridge
- Cannaregio District

Venice now charges day visitors to walk in. In 2026 the access fee applied on 60 peak days between 3 April and 26 July, from 8:30 to 16:00: €5 if you book at least four days ahead, €10 if you leave it later. Anyone sleeping in the municipality of Venice is exempt, and so are children under 14 — on this itinerary you stay the night here, so it should not cost you anything, but you still register. Check [the city's official page](#) for the dates of the coming season before you plan a day trip.

Where to stay in Venice

\$ [Backpackers House Venice](#). Most affordable option in Venice, very close to main attractions. Perfect for people traveling on budget.

\$\$ [Alle Guglie Boutique Hotel](#). Mid-range hotel situated within walking distance from top sightseeing in Venice. It has a great value for money.

\$\$\$ [Canal Grande](#). Classic hotel in the middle of the city where you can enjoy all the modern amenities. Perfect for travellers wanting to have a heaven stay in Venice.

Getting to the next destination

The best way to get to Florence from Venice is by train. It is just over 2 hours on Frecciarossa or Italo from **Venice Santa Lucia to Florence Santa Maria Novella**. To check prices and dates click [here](#).

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9. Florence, Italy



Florence, the capital of Tuscany is a popular destination in Europe for those who want to soak up the culture, and history, feeling like they are living in the Renaissance period. This staggering city hosts some of the world architectural treasures: churches, museums, basiliques and art galleries that you cannot find elsewhere.

Day 1

- Duomo
- Baptistery
- Piazza della Signoria
- Palazzo Vecchio
- Loggia di Lanzi
- Uffizi Gallery
- Ponte Vecchio
- Pitti Palace and Boboli Gardens
- Santo Spirito
- Roam around the streets of Florence

Day 2

- Piazza and Church of Santa Maria Novella
- Piazza San Lorenzo, Church and Medici Chapels
- Accademia Gallery
- Piazza Santa Croce and Basilica of Santa Croce
- Piazzale Michelangelo
- Roam around the streets of Florence

Book the Uffizi and the Accademia online before you go: in high season the Uffizi is €25 and the Accademia €16, plus a €4 booking fee each, and the queues without a booking are long.

Where to stay in Florence

\$ [Bric a Brac](#). This place is a great budget- friendly option, speially for travellers traveling with somene else. It is near Campo di Marte, about 20 minutes' walk from the Duomo, and double rooms are very comfortable.

\$\$ [Hotel Jane](#) is a fantastic mid-range option situated only 15 minutes walking from the city center. It is cozy and fully equipped.

\$\$\$ [NH Collection Firenze Porta Rosa](#). Our choice for high-end hotel in Florence, elegant and with all you need to make your stay unforgettable.

Getting to the next destination

From Florence to Rome is about a 1h30 high-speed train journey. It departs from **Florence Santa Maria Novella** and it arrives at **Rome Termini**.

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10. Rome, Italy



Welcome to the next stop in the Europe itinerary. One of the most visited cities in the world and an awe-inspiring place, that will make you fall in love from the first minute. Rome is a multicultural city rich in history, UNESCO heritage sites, impressive masterpieces, world-class museums and art galleries, not to forget, Rome's renowned gastronomy... Rome has absolutely everything for everyone.

Day 1

- Colosseum
- Roman Forum
- Circus Maximus
- Capitoline Museums
- Trevi Fountain
- Pantheon

Day 2

- Vatican City
- Castel Sant'Angelo
- Piazza del Popolo

- Piazza di Spagna
- Museums and Crypt of the Capuchin Friars
- Chiesa di Santa Maria della Vittoria

Book ahead in Rome. Colosseum tickets (€18 with the Roman Forum and Palatine) have a timed slot, carry your name and are checked against your passport; they go on sale 30 days ahead. Vatican Museums tickets are €20 plus €5 booking, only on the official site. Since February 2026 it costs €2 to walk down to the Trevi Fountain (the square is free), and the Pantheon is now €7.

Where to stay in Rome

\$ [The RomeHello](#). One of the best-rated hostels in Rome, a few minutes from Repubblica metro and walking distance from the Trevi Fountain. Friendly atmosphere, ideal for travelers who want to meet more people.

\$\$ [Hotel Barberini](#). Excellent mid-range accommodation perfectly located. Perfect for travelers looking for a special place to stay in Rome with all the commodities.

\$\$\$ [Roma Luxus Hotel](#). Top notch hotel in the Monti district, about a kilometre from the Colosseum. Luxury facilities for travelers willing to spend a bit more in their stay.

Getting to the next destination

From Rome to Barcelona is almost 2 hours flight departing from **Rome Leonardo da Vinci Fiumicino Airport** arriving at **Barcelona El Prat Airport**. Check your flight tickets [here](#).

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11. Barcelona, Spain



Barcelona is a vibrant city by the sea where you can find some of the most important architectural treasures in Spain. It also hosts an impressive Cathedral, churches and a gothic quarter to walk around. In Barcelona you can enjoy a good number of touristic attractions as well as a wide gastronomic offer with numerous Michelin-starred restaurants spread across the city.

Day 1

- Parc Güell
- Sagrada Família
- Montjuic

Day 2

- Casa Milà
- Catedral de Barcelona
- Barrio Gótico
- Mercat Boqueria
- Rambla

Book ahead in Barcelona. Sagrada Família (from €26) and Park Güell (€18) sell timed tickets online and sell out in summer. Barcelona doubled its tourist tax in April 2026: count on roughly €10 to €15 per person per night in hotels.

Where to stay in Barcelona

\$ [Pars Tailor's Youth Hostel](#). Fantastic hostel in the city center, with fully equipped shared rooms.

\$\$ [Cami Gallery Barcelona](#). One of the favorite places to stay in Barcelona for its beautiful rooms located near important sightseeing spots.

\$\$\$ [H10 Madison](#) 4* Sup. Exceptional high- end hotel in the heart of Barcelona with views of the city and a rooftop swimming pool.

Conclusion

This Europe Itinerary will take you to the most iconic places in Europe highlighting the most important spots to sightsee in each destination.

This way visitors will be able to make the most of their time in each destination having a clear idea of the recommended itinerary, very easy to follow and organised.

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