



# RAINBOW EDUCATIONAL TOURS

Proposed Itinerary for:

**Italy/Austria/Germany/France**

**11 days / 9 nights**

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**Venice (2) Innsbruck (1) Fussen (1) Munich (1) Train (1) Paris (3)**

## Friday March 25, 2011

**Day One**- Leave from Calgary international airport for your flight via wide-bodied jet for **Venice, Italy**. Enjoy in-flight meals and services.

## Saturday March 26, 2011

**Day Two** – Upon arrival in Venice, you will be met by your **RAINBOW EDUCATIONAL TOUR** representative **Mr. Graziano Martini** and taken to your waiting coach for the transfer to your hotel. Check into the hotel for dinner and overnight.

## Sunday March 27, 2011

**Day Three** – This morning after breakfast you will have self guided sight seeing of the "**city of canals**"- Venice. **Venice** is a unique Italian city with a proud history. Start at the **Piazza San Marco** opening on the **Grand Canal**. Visit the **Cathedral of San Marco** sometimes known as the "golden church" because of its magnificent mosaics on gilded backgrounds. See **the Doge's Palace**, symbol of Venetian power and glory. The **Bridge of Sighs** connects the palace with the prisons and owes its name to the sighs of the prisoners who crossed it en route to their execution. Enjoy the unique atmosphere of Venice with the boats plying their trade on the Grand Canal and the **Rialto Bridge** with its distinctive steps. Dinner and overnight Venice.

## Monday March 28, 2011

**Day Four** – You will have an early morning departure for Innsbruck. Your road takes you through some beautiful countryside and some hair-raising hairpin bends. Upon arrival in **Innsbruck** you will sightsee this charming town on foot. Everything is right there in the **Maria-Theresien-Strasse** and the Old Town Square. The most famous sight in Innsbruck is the Golden Roof dating from the 15th century. Innsbruck is the place to buy lead crystal ornaments. Dinner and overnight Innsbruck.

## Tuesday March 29, 2011

**Day Five** – Again this morning you have an early departure to **Fussen**, located on the edge of the Alps and is framed by imposing high mountain peaks and an idyllic lake district, thus making it Bavaria's town at the highest elevation. It is also considered to be the cradle of the European reading and building of playing the violin. Here you will stop and visit a factory where they actually produce violins. From there you will continue to **Neuschwanstein**, the home of **King Ludwig II** also the same Castle that Walt Disney modeled the castle in Sleeping Beauty, entrance is included. Dinner and overnight at Fussen.

## Wednesday March 30, 2011

**Day Six** – This morning you will be leaving **Fussen** at the end of the Black Forest and be heading for **Munich**. En route to Munich, visit the former **Concentration Camp at Dachau**, now a museum and memorial to those who were imprisoned there during the war. Tonight you will have a **Traditional German Meal** and overnight in Munich.

#### Thursday March 31, 2011

**Day Seven** – This morning you will have a visit of the city by coach including entrance to the rich **Nymphenburg Palace and grounds**. Even the 'little' palaces which are dotted about the grounds are impressive with their design and decor. You will probably visit one of these, the **Amalienburg**, as well as the main palace. Return to central Munich to the **Marienplatz** to catch the playing of the **Glockenspiel** with the mechanical jousting knights and music. There will be some free time in the afternoon for exploring the pedestrian walkways around the Marienplatz. There are many historic buildings in the area that give a very distinctive flavor to the town. You will have dinner and then transferred to the station to catch the overnight train to Paris. You will be in couchettes which are sleeping compartments, please do not forget to bring some food along for the journey and also for your breakfast the next morning.

#### Friday April 01, 2011

**Day Eight** – Morning sightseeing takes you around the major monuments of Paris. The Tour Eiffel, (get your cameras ready at the Palais de Chaillot photo stop), the Arc de Triomphe, the Madeleine, the sumptuous Opera Garnier, the Ile de la Cite with Notre Dame and its Sainte Chapelle and many other sights. Then you will meet at Rue Saint Honore, in front of the Palais Royal. You will go to your hotel, check in and have a chance to freshen up before you will get an orientation of the area and then you will take the Metro to the Champs Elysees, walk the famous avenue and then climb the Arc de Triumph. You will have dinner and then you will go to the third level of the Eiffel Tower. Then return to hotel for overnight.

#### Saturday April 02, 2011

**Day Nine** – After breakfast you will travel by Metro to the **Louvre** to see the **Mona Lisa** and the **Venus de Milo**. After lunch you will board your coach and travel to Versailles for a tour and then return to Paris for dinner and over night.

#### Sunday April 03, 2011

**Day Ten** – This morning you will meet your guide and have a walking tour of the Marais district after lunch climb the steps up to **Montmartre** where the white **Basilica of Sacre-Coeur** places of perpetual pilgrimage that gleams high above Paris. Visit the Basilica and then go round the corner to the nearby **Place du Tertre** where *artists* have set up their easels, and perhaps have your portrait sketched you will have your final dinner at **Montmartre**. Enjoy your last evening in Paris with a scenic cruise down the **River Seine** on one of the Bateaux Parisiens. Return to the hotel for your final night in Paris

#### Monday April 04, 2011

**Day Eleven** –After breakfast you will transfer by coach to the airport for your flight back to Canada

#### HOTEL ACCOMMODATION & MEALS:

##### **March 26-28 2011 (02 nights) Venice area**

4-star hotel in the Venice area like Hotel Alexander Palace in Abano Terme [www.alexanderpalace.it](http://www.alexanderpalace.it) or similar

2 continental breakfasts, 2 dinners at hotel's restaurants with a 3-course menu, drinks are not included, taxes and service charges are included.

##### **March 28-29 2011 (1 night) Innsbruck**

3-star hotel like Hotel Dollinger [www.dollinger.at](http://www.dollinger.at) or similar

1 continental breakfast, 1 dinner at hotel's restaurants with a 3-course menu, drinks are not included, taxes and service charges are included.

##### **March 29-30 2011 (1 night) Fussen**

4-star hotel like Hotel Schillingshof located in Bad Kohlgrub [www.hotel-schillingshof.com](http://www.hotel-schillingshof.com) or similar

1 continental breakfast, 1 dinner at hotel's restaurants with a 3-course menu, drinks are not included,

taxes and service charges are included.

**March 30-31 2011 (1 night) Munich**

3-star hotel centrally located like Hotel Carmen [www.hotel-carmen.de](http://www.hotel-carmen.de) or similar

1 continental breakfast, 1 dinner at hotel's restaurants with a 3-course menu, drinks are not included, and 1 special dinner in a beer tavern a 3-course menu, drinks are not included with a taxes and service charges are included.

**April 01-03 2011 (03 nights) Paris**

2-star hotel semi-centrally located like Hotel Ibis Paris Berthier [www.ibishotel.com](http://www.ibishotel.com) or similar

2 continental breakfasts, 1 dinner at a local restaurant with a 3-course menu, drinks are not included, and 1 farewell dinner at a local restaurant with music and a 3-course menu, drinks are included (1/2 l. of mineral water and a soft drink per person), taxes and service charges are included.

**Flights-:**

Depart Calgary on 25 March at 9:15 PM on British airways flight # 102 and arrive into London Heathrow at 12:20 noon the next day.

Be transferred by private coach with assistance to London Gatwick and depart at 3:50 PM on British Airways flight # 2586 and arrive into Venice at 6:55 PM.

Depart Paris Charles de Gaulle airport at 12:20 PM 4 April on British airways flight # 309 and arrive into London Heathrow at 12:35

Depart London at 5:25 on British Airways flight # 103 and arrive into Calgary 7:50 PM

**Included in the Cost Tour:**

Airfare Calgary/Venice/Paris/Calgary returns via scheduled airlines such as Lufthansa/British Airways

Multi lingual tour Escort through out the entire tour.

Transportation by First Class Coach Throughout

Continental Breakfast and dinner as per itinerary

7 nights Three Star Hotels in multi rooms with private facilities.

Overnight train with couchettes

Services of the RAINBOW Educational Tours Consultant prior to the trip

Airport Taxes

All Inclusive Insurance Packages

Tips and Gratuities

**ENGLISH SPEAKING LICENSED GUIDES:**

Mar. 27 Half day Venice

Mar. 28 Half day Innsbruck

Mar. 30 Half day Dachau

Mar. 31 Half day Nymphenburg

April 01 Half Day Paris

April 02 Full Day Paris

April 03 Half Day Paris

**ENTRANCE FEES:**

Mar. 27 Doge's Palace, Venice including booking fee

Mar. 29 Neuschwanstein Castle

Mar. 30 Dachau

Mar. 31 Nymphenburg Castle

Apr. 01 Eiffel Tower, 3rd level

Apr. 02 Versailles

Apr. 02 Louvre

BOAT:

Mar. 27 Tronchetto – San Marco – Tronchetto

Apr. 02 Cruise on River Seine.

PRIVATE COACH TRANSPORTATION:

Mar. 26 Venice airport – hotel

Half day Padua

Mar. 27 Hotel – Tronchetto – Hotel

Mar. 28 Venice area – Innsbruck

Mar. 29 Innsbruck Neuschwanstein – Fussen area

Mar. 30 Fussen area – Dachau – Munich

Mar. 31 Half day Nymphenburg – Half day Munich – Munich train station

Apr. 01 Paris train station – Half day Paris – Half day Versailles

Apr. 03 Hotel – Paris airport.

TAXES, TOLLS, TICKETS AND PARKING FEES ARE INCLUDED.

DRIVER'S BOARD AND LODGING IS INCLUDED.

**Not Included:**

-Lunches

-Expenses of a personal nature

-Passport

-Extra Beverages with meals

-Optional tours and excursions

-Single supplements for any single accommodation required

**-Fuel or any other surcharge if imposed by the airlines**

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