

ACROSS THE ALPS

Rome • Florence • Maranello • Milan • Chamonix • Geneva • Paris

What's the plan

Day 1: South Africa – Rome

Depart from **South Africa** on your flight to Rome.

Day 2: Rome Arrive in this magnificent city and meet your guide at the airport before you transfer by coach to your accommodation and check in. This afternoon enjoy a **guided tour of the Vatican City** and the **Vatican Museums**, being among the greatest museums in the world. Stand in awe in the **Sistine Chapel**, which has been frescoed by the greatest Renaissance artists including especially Michelangelo, and the **Basilica of St. Peter's**, the most renowned work of Renaissance architecture and the heart of Christian culture in the world. Enjoy dinner.

Day 3: Rome This morning enjoy a **guided half day tour of Ancient Rome** which includes a visit and entrance to the mighty **Colosseum** and the **Roman Forum**. This afternoon you will visit the **Time Elevator** in Rome, for a journey through the history of this eternal city. Conclude the day's sightseeing with stops to see the **Spanish Steps**, the **Pantheon** and the **Trevi Fountain**. Enjoy a scrumptious dinner.

Day 4: Rome – Florence Depart Rome this morning and head through Tuscany on to **Florence, City of Lillies**. Enjoy a guided walking tour of this historic city. View attractions including the **Duomo**, the **Baptistry**, **Giotto's Bell Tower** and **Piazza della Signoria**. Enjoy dinner during the evening.

Day 5: Florence – Maranello Enjoy an early breakfast and to the day started. Start off by seeing the **Statue of David**, as you visit the **Academia Gallery**. Begin your journey, headed for **Maranello, the home of Ferrari** where you will enjoy a guided tour of the **Ferrari Museum and Factory**. After exploring the world of high-octane precision

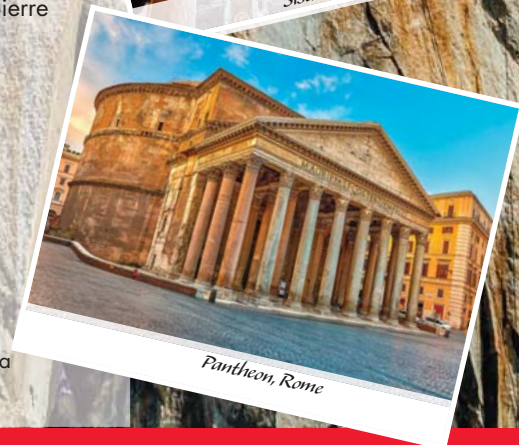
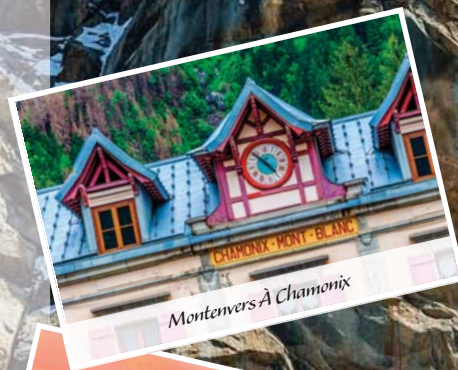
engineering, enjoy lunch and then continue on to the city of Milan. Once you've arrived in Milan start your guided city tour including a visit to the **Santa Maria delle Grazie** where you will see the famous mural of **Leonardo Da Vinci's Last Supper** (subject to availability). Enjoy a relaxing dinner this evening after a jam packed day.

Day 6: Milan – Chamonix After breakfast you will check out of your accommodation and visit the **National Museum of Science and Technology: Leonardo da Vinci** before you transfer to the **Alpine region** in France, **Chamonix**.

As the towering Alps mountain range looms ever closer on your journey West, passage to France seems impossible – until you arrive at the foot of the **highest mountain in the Alps: Mont Blanc**. There, as if by magic, another of Man's great achievements disappears into the bedrock – **The Mont Blanc Tunnel**. This afternoon check into your accommodation and enjoy this beautiful town at leisure for the rest of the evening. Enjoy dinner.

Day 7: Chamonix After breakfast transfer to **Aiguille du Midi**. Here you will take a cable car ride up the **Aiguille du Midi** to elevation of 3842m, a mountain in the Mont Blanc massif in the French Alps for a spectacular view of the **Mont Blanc** itself and the rest of France and Switzerland. Later transfer to **Geneva Switzerland** where you will catch your train to Paris. On arrival in Paris late this afternoon, check in at your accommodation and settle in. Enjoy dinner.

Day 8: Paris Enjoy breakfast at leisure, and thereafter get ready for a **full day of guided sightseeing**. Starting at the **Place de la Concorde**, with its great obelisk transferred to Paris in 1831, when Louis XVI, Marie Antonoinette, Danton and Robespierre were guillotined. You pass through the Champs Elysees to the Arc de Triomphe,



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which dominates the **Place Charles de Gaulle**, which is the heart of Paris: all the streets of the Place, which are arranged radially, converge to this extraordinary monument. We continue to Trocadero until arriving to the **Eiffel Tower**, the main symbol of the city. Here, you will enjoy the **glittering Global icon** (admission to the second level). Finish off with a visit to the **Louvre**, where you will have chance to stroll around this world famous museum. Make sure to see the **Mona Lisa**. Enjoy dinner.

Day 9: Paris – South Africa Following breakfast, enjoy another day of awesome **guided sightseeing** in this beautiful city. Highlights include: a visit to **Notre Dame Cathedral**, stroll around the artistic quarter of **Montmartre** and visit the **Sacre Coeur**. Later this afternoon transfer to the airport for your return flight to South Africa.

Day 10: Arrive in South Africa.

Tour Inclusions

- 7 night's accommodation
- Return international flights Ex JNB / DUR / CT
- Breakfast and dinner throughout
- English speaking guides
- Necessary entrance fees
- Private transfers
- Transport passes
- Handy travel backpack
- Travel insurance

Tour Excursions

Milan

- Half day guided tour of Milan
- Leonardo Da Vinci Science and Technology museum
- Da Vinci's Last Supper in the Santa Maria delle Grazie (subject to availability)
- Ferrari Museum and factory tour

Rome

- Rome Time elevator
- Colosseum
- Rome city tour
- Pantheon
- Roman Forum
- St Peter's Square
- Spanish Steps
- Trevi Fountain
- Vatican City
- Vatican Museums
- Sistine Chapel
- St Peter's Basilica

Paris

- Paris city tour
- Arc de Triomphe
- Champs Elysees
- Eiffel Tower (subject to availability)
- Notre Dame
- Sacre Coeur
- Louvre

Florence

- Guided city tour
- The Duomo
- Giotto's bell tower
- The Baptistery
- Piazza della Signoria
- Academia Gallery

Chamonix

- Aiguille du Midi return cable car to top of Mont Blanc

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Montmartre, Paris



Aiguille du Midi, France



The River Seine, Paris



View from Notre Dame de Paris

