Des Moines Area Community College Foundation presents...

London & Paris

with Optional 3-Night Amsterdam Post Tour Extension

December 26, 2024 – January 3, 2025



Upgrade to Elite Airfare! see inside for details

For more information contact
Collette
(800) 581-8942
Please Refer to Booking #1212999



9 Days ● 11 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 3 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Big Ben, Buckingham Palace, Covent Garden, Afternoon Tea, Eurostar Train, Arc de Triomphe, New Year's Eve in Paris, Seine River Cruise, Montmartre, Eiffel Tower Dinner

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 4 Riu Plaza London Victoria, London

Days 5 – 8 Le Meridien Etoile, Paris

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Thursday, December 26, 2024 Overnight Flight From cosmopolitan London to romantic Paris, see the best of the world's most captivating cities. To help make the most of your getaway, unpack just once in each city. Enjoy a leisurely-paced journey with plenty of time for independent exploration.

Day 2: Friday, December 27, 2024 London, England - Tour Begins Your tour opens in London, the United Kingdom's dynamic capital. This evening, get a taste of contemporary British fare as you join your fellow travelers for a meal highlighting London's culinary renaissance. (D)

Day 3: Saturday, December 28, 2024 London Start your morning with a local expert in London. Kick off your day with a walking tour Westminster, where you will see the exteriors of Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. Continue to Buckingham Palace, to see the official residence of His Majesty The King. This afternoon, visit Covent Garden Market's elegant boutiques and restaurants at your own pace, before joining your fellow travelers for a traditional afternoon tea. Return to the hotel by the London Tube. The remainder of the day is yours to do as you wish. (*B*, *L*)

Day 4: Sunday, December 29, 2024 London After a hearty breakfast, enjoy a day to explore how you'd like. You may take an optional excursion to Windsor Castle. Originally built to guard the city of London, Windsor Castle has been the home of kings and queens for nine centuries and is the oldest royal residence still in use today. (*B*)

Day 5: Monday, December 30, 2024 London - Eurostar Train - Paris, France *Allons-y!* Today you're off to Paris! Hop aboard the Eurostar High Speed Train to get there in just two hours. A sophisticated metropolis of style and culture, Paris' bustling city streets are filled with colorful history, fascinating museums, renowned monuments and grand theatres. Once you arrive, join a local expert and take in some of the most iconic sites, including the Arc de Triomphe, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendome. Settle in for your 4-night stay in the "City of Light." (*B*)

Day 6: Tuesday, December 31, 2024 Paris Be romanced by Paris – the whole day is yours for the taking. Should you indulge in some of the world's best shopping on the Champs-Elysees, or simply do as the Parisians do and sit at a sidewalk café and watch the beauty that is Paris go by? Tonight, celebrate the arrival of a New Year as you glide down the enchanted Seine River on a romantic dinner cruise, set against Paris' glittering skyline. Ring in the New Year with a gourmet dinner, complete with wine, champagne and live musical entertainment. (*B*, *D*)





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For bookings made after Jun 27, 2024 call for rates.

Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Des Moines Municipal Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers **Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$449 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from DSM

Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

Additional rate of: Business Class \$4,290 † Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

Day 7: Wednesday, January 1, 2025 Paris -

Montmartre Enjoy a leisurely morning before visiting the city's hilltop *arrondissement* of Montmartre. Meander through the charming cobblestone streets and take in the iconic Basilica of Sacre-Coeur. The afternoon is yours to explore more of the French capital. Perhaps you'll stroll along the verdant Canal Saint-Martin or the elegant district of Le Marais, abounding with winding streets and gorgeous old mansions. Or take a walk down to the Ile de la Cité and snap a picture of the awe-inspiring Notre Dame. (B)

Day 8: Thursday, January 2, 2025 Paris It's your last day in Paris – how will you spend it? You may wander

over to the Left Bank of the Seine and plunge into the bohemian atmosphere of the Saint-Germain-des-Prés neighborhood and the Latin Quarter. Or, join an optional excursion to Louis XIV's magnificent Palace and Gardens of Versailles* and relive history as you walk through the various rooms of the State Apartments, including the famous Hall of Mirrors. Tonight, enjoy an exclusive dinner at the Eiffel Tower, featuring French cuisine and breathtaking views. (*B*, *D*)

Per Person

Day 9: Friday, January 3, 2025 Paris - Tour Ends You depart today, but London and Paris will remain in your heart forever. (*B*)

Experience It! Dinner at the Eiffel Tower

It's like a scene from a movie: the lights of Paris glitter beneath you as you dine inside one of the world's most iconic landmarks – the Eiffel Tower. Proudly rising up on the Champ de Mars, the historic Eiffel Tower is actually the tallest structure in Paris (and the most visited paid monument in the world). Soak in the exclusive experience as you sample savory French cuisine from one of the world's most noteworthy gastronomical cities. Enjoy an unforgettable meal in a contemporary setting, providing a wonderful contrast to the historical landmark the restaurant resides in. Stand inside history, relish some fine French cuisine and take in the most incredible views in the "City of Light."

EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH

Optional 2 Days 3-Night Amsterdam Post Tour Extension

Per Person Rates: \$1,499.00 USD double, \$1,899.00 USD single, land & air inclusive

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1212999

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Jun 27, 2024, valid on air inclusive packages only. IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel in 2024, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS visa waiver, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit https://www.etiasvisa.com/

Days of features are interchangeable.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis

Triple rooms are extremely limited and may not be available. When possible, triple accommodations will be confirmed in a double and a single room, which may not be adjoining.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

On New Year's Eve Day, shops, museums and other attractions in Paris may be closed or operating with reduced hours.

*The Versailles optional tour must be purchased at a minimum of 60 days prior to departure.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. You're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motor coaches, especially in the historic areas of Paris such as Montmartre and in Versailles, which require the ability to walk up and down hills and on cobblestoned streets and stairs. For your comfort, we recommend bringing comfortable walking shoes. If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may not be able to access some of these areas and may want to consider an alternate program with us. Our Client Care Agents can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect trip for you.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.



Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of June 20, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by October 27, 2024. Deposits are refundable up until June 27, 2024.

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For important reservation information visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1212999.
You can also find this information on your tour documents.



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Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

London



Windsor Castle

\$65 USD

Step into the formal world of the British Monarchy when you visit the stately and expansive Windsor Castle. His Majesty King Charles III uses Windsor as both a private home and as a Royal residence where formal duties of state are performed. Windsor's 1,000 rooms comprise the largest inhabited castle in the world. It dates back to the 1070s, when William the Conqueror built the original wooden structure, now replaced by the grand stone edifices. Explore one of Britain's most visited historic buildings, its precincts, and the State Apartments, which house a delightful collection of Royal art treasures. Enjoy time for lunch in the quaint town of Windsor before heading back to London. This once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to visit the castle that houses so much British history and lore is not to be missed! *Duration: Approximately 4.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 8 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Paris



Versailles Palace

\$140 USD

Enjoy an interesting visit to the incomparable Palace of Versailles. The palace and gardens of Versailles reflect the extravagant tastes of King Louis XIV, the "Sun King." On this excursion, travel by coach to Versailles where your local guide will recount the history of the palace and lead you through the various rooms of the State Apartments. Of particular interest are the Queen's bedchamber and the famous Hall of Mirrors. You then have leisure time to explore the incredible gardens, some of the most famous in the world, which took over 40 years to complete. This option must be purchased and reserved no later than 60 days prior to tour departure date. Once purchased, any cancellation within 60 days of tour departure will be non-refundable. *Duration: Approximately 5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 20 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

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Windsor C	astle	65.00
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Please make checks payable to Collette and send to:

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TRAVEL DATE: 12/26/2024 TERRITORY: M9 RES#: 1212999

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YOUR INFORMATION:

Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all quest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel cpassport/driver's license including middle names or suffixes SIP.

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2 Meals: 1 Breakfast, 1 Dinner

Day 9: Paris - Amsterdam, Netherlands

Board a high-speed train and take off for Amsterdam, the thriving 800-year-old capital of Holland. After some time to settle in, meet up with a local guide to get acquainted with the Jordaan District of Amsterdam. Explore this charming neighborhood and learn of its rich multicultural roots during a walking food tour where you'll taste traditional Dutch fare as you walk along the canals and historic homes between stops. *Today dinner will be included.*

Day 10: Amsterdam

Stroll through the city with a local expert. Get acquainted with the cozy lanes and quintessential Dutch houses as you wander along the canals that lead to Amsterdam's museum district. Explore the Rijksmuseum with your local guide and experience works from the great Dutch masters such as Rembrandt, Vermeer and Van Gogh. Enjoy an afternoon on your own to do as you please. Perhaps you'll choose to explore the Anne Frank House,* a museum dedicated to the memory of the young diarist who documented her time in hiding during WWII. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 11: Amsterdam

The day is yours. Explore the narrow canals, stone bridges, and bike-brimmed roads at your leisure. Perhaps you'll choose to see the city from a different perspective and embark on a canal cruise or spend some time relaxing at a café. Maybe take the train to The Hague to see the renowned *Girl with a Pearl Earring* in the Mauritshuis Museum. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 12: Amsterdam - Tour Ends

Bid Amsterdam farewell as your tour comes to a close today. Today breakfast will be included.

Please Note:

Due to additional airline costs, passengers departing from Amsterdam for the extension program may be assessed an additional fee.

Porterage is not available in Paris and Amsterdam train stations. You'll be responsible for handling your own luggage from the vehicle drop off point to the train in Paris and in Amsterdam from the train to the vehicle that will transfer you to the hotel. You must be able to lift your luggage from the platform on to the carriage. There is no checked luggage compartment on trains between Paris and Amsterdam.

Triple rooms are not available. Upon request, triple accommodations can be confirmed in a double and a single room, or a cot may be requested at an additional cost.

A **Hosted Extension** is great for travelers who like to spend full days exploring places on their own by foot or public transportation. A dedicated Tour Manager will not be present during this extension.

*The Anne Frank House is one of the most popular sites in Amsterdam. Tickets are in high demand and are difficult to obtain on the day or close to the day of visit. If you are interested, we recommend that you purchase tickets online in advance through the museum's official website. Tickets should be purchased for the afternoon on your second day in Amsterdam or any time during your third day in Amsterdam.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

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