GO AHEAD TOURS



London, Paris & Madrid

11 days | 14 days with Lisbon extension

Immerse yourself in history as you explore the capitals of the United Kingdom, France, and Spain on this exciting trip. Walk in the footsteps of British monarchs as you uncover the highlights of London. Sip champagne and view storied Parisian landmarks in the City of Light. Enjoy energetic fiestas and relaxing siestas in imperial Madrid. On this tour, you'll discover just what makes each fast-paced hub so unique.



Your tour package includes

9 nights in handpicked hotels
9 breakfasts
3 dinners with beer or wine
3 sightseeing tours
Expert Tour Director & local guides
Private deluxe motor coach
1 train ride
1 on-tour flight

Included highlights

Big Ben
Buckingham Palace
Eurostar train ride
Arc de Triomphe
Eiffel Tower photo stop
Royal Palace
Prado Museum

Tour pace

You will walk for at least 1.5 hours daily across mostly flat terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets, with few hills or stairs.

Group size

15–38

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Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 1: Travel day
Board your overnight flight to London today.

London → 3 nights

Day 2: Arrival in London
Included meals: welcome dinner
Welcome to England! Meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers at a welcome dinner this evening.

Day 3: Sightseeing tour of London
Included meals: breakfast
View the regal landmarks of England's vibrant and cosmopolitan capital on a guided sightseeing tour.

- Pass the grand Trafalgar Square and Baroque-style St. Paul's Cathedral, perched atop Ludgate Hill
- See Westminster Abbey, the setting for royal coronations, weddings, and funerals
- View icons like Big Ben, the London Eye, Tower Bridge, and the Tower of London
- Stop by Buckingham Palace, where you may catch the Changing of the Guard

Enjoy a free afternoon in London or add an excursion.
+ Windsor Castle

Day 4: Free day in London
Included meals: breakfast
Spend a free day in London or add an excursion.
+ Stonehenge & Oxford

Paris → 3 nights

Day 5: Eurostar train ride to Paris
Included meals: breakfast, dinner
Enjoy a ride on the famous, high-speed Eurostar train as you're whisked beneath the English Channel on your journey to Paris, France.
Later, sit down for an included dinner with your group.
Please note: Porterage is not included for the train transfers. Travelers must be comfortable lifting and carrying all luggage over steps, onto platforms, and into luggage storage

Day 6: Sightseeing tour of Paris
Included meals: breakfast
A guided tour introduces you to the architecture, scenery, and history of the City of Light's many neighborhoods, called *arrondissements.*

- Drive down the sycamore-lined Champs-Élysées to view the Arc de Triomphe
- Pass Pont Neuf and the legendary Notre-Dame Cathedral, located on an island in the Seine River
- See the Eiffel Tower, the Palais Garnier opera house, and Place de la Concorde, the city's grandest square
- Marvel at the iconic architecture of the Louvre and Hôtel des Invalides

Enjoy a free afternoon or add an excursion.
+ Versailles Palace & Gardens

Day 7: Free day in Paris
Included meals: breakfast
Spend a free day in Paris or add excursions.
+ Monet & the Landscapes of Giverny
+ Dinner in Paris & Seine River Cruise

Madrid → 3 nights

Day 8: Flight to Madrid
Included meals: breakfast
Fly to Madrid, Spain and enjoy free time in the city.

Day 9: Sightseeing tour of Madrid
Included meals: breakfast
Explore the Spanish capital's beautiful architecture, lively squares, and grand boulevards on a guided sightseeing tour.

- View the Royal Palace, Spain's largest royal residence
- Pass by the Temple of Debod, a reassembled temple from ancient Egypt
- View the city's many squares, including Plaza Colón and Plaza Neptune
- Explore the Prado, a world-class art museum that began as the private collection of the Spanish monarchy and is home to the works of Goya, Velásquez and more

Enjoy a free afternoon or add an excursion.
+ Traditional Spanish Evening

Day 10: Free day in Madrid
Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner
Spend a free day in Madrid or add an excursion. Then, celebrate your trip with your group at a farewell dinner.
+ Toledo

Flight Home

Day 11: Departure
Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)
Transfer to the airport for your flight home or continue your journey to Lisbon, Portugal.

+ Lisbon extension

Why's it so easy to fall in love with Lisbon? There's the stunning seafront, the incredible architecture, and the captivating history—plus, we've heard a lot of good things about pastel de nata. Fly to Portugal's capital, where you'll enjoy a guided sightseeing tour.

Lisbon → 3 nights

Day 11: Flight to Lisbon
Included meals: breakfast
Fly to Lisbon, Portugal this morning and enjoy free time in the city or add an excursion.
+ Lisbon Home-Hosted Dinner

Day 12: Sightseeing tour of Lisbon
Included meals: breakfast
Get to know Lisbon, the Portuguese capital on a tour with a local guide.

- Admire views of the city from Eduardo VII Park and pass the Praça Marquês de Pombal as you travel along Avenida da Liberdade
- Stop at the waterfront to discover the city's maritime heritage at the Monument to the Discoveries and Tower of Belém
- Enter the church at Jerónimos Monastery, built to honor voyagers
- Walk from Time Out Market through the heart of the city to Praça do Comércio

Later, enjoy a free evening in Lisbon or add an excursion.
+ Fado Show & Dinner

Day 13: Free day in Lisbon
Included meals: breakfast
Spend a free day in Lisbon or add an excursion. Then, gather with your group for a farewell drink and raise a glass to your trip.
+ Sintra & the Portuguese Riviera

Flight Home

Day 14: Departure
Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)
Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save $10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: **goaheadtours.ca/LPM | 1-800-754-5066**

Day 3: Windsor Castle
$175CAD (5 hours, departs in the afternoon)
Led by a Blue Badge Guide, you'll travel to Windsor for a guided tour of the world's largest and longest-inhabited castle. Founded by William the Conqueror in 1070, Windsor has been the British Royal Family's preferred retreat for the past 900 years. Step inside the State Apartments and St. George's Chapel, where knighting ceremonies of the Most Noble Order of the Garter take place. View the exhibit of royal treasures within the castle. You'll then have time to stroll through the town of Windsor and have a look at Eton College, a prestigious prep school attended by Princes William and Harry. Please note: When the Windsor Castle excursion falls on a Wednesday, entrance will be replaced by an excursion to Hampton Court. For any departures where the Windsor Castle excursion falls on a Tuesday, the excursion will be moved to another day on tour or cancelled. Additionally, St. George's Chapel is closed to the public on Sundays. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

Day 4: Stonehenge & Oxford
$190CAD (9.5 hours, departs in the morning)
Pay a visit to Oxford, home to one of the most prestigious universities in the world. You'll admire the charming city's spire-studded architecture and learn more about its academic legacy during a visit to New College at Oxford University. Founded in the 14th century, this college is one of the oldest institutions in the city, and you'll discover its extensive history during your visit. Then, enjoy free time for lunch before continuing on to Stonehenge, perhaps England's most mysterious landmark. The origin and purpose of this ring of stones, which dates back an estimated 5,000 years, is unknown, though most believe it was a temple and observatory. Take some time to explore the intriguing stone formations and visit the newly opened exhibition and visitor center before heading back to London. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

Day 6: Versailles Palace & Gardens
$199CAD (5 hours, departure time varies)
The reign of Louis XIV, known as the "Sun King," set new standards for decadence among the crowned heads of Europe. It took 50 years and 35,000 workers to turn Versailles, once a small hunting lodge, into the most magnificent château in all of France and the envy of royalty worldwide. On this excursion, you'll see the palace in all its glory as you tour the State Apartments and the glittering Hall of Mirrors. Then, stroll through the lavish gardens to admire their fine statuary, splendid fountains, and colorful flowerbeds. Please note: Versailles Palace is closed on Mondays. The optional excursion may be moved to a different day on tour to accommodate schedules. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 45 days prior to departure.

Day 7: Monet & the Landscapes of Giverny
$149CAD/$159CAD* (6 hours, departs in the morning)
The village of Giverny was home to Claude Monet from 1883 until his death in 1926. On a visit to Monet's home and gardens, discover the subtle palette of colors that inspired his Water Lilies series and gave rise to a new way of seeing. Please note: This excursion is seasonal and runs from April through October.

Day 7: Dinner in Paris & Seine River Cruise
$175CAD/$185CAD* (5 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)
Take in the nighttime allure of the City of Light on a special evening excursion. The event begins with dinner at a local restaurant. After you dine, board a boat cruise along the Seine. As you coast along the river and under Paris' bridges, you'll behold the illuminated monuments of the city glittering alongside the riverbanks. Please note: The dress code may vary depending on the restaurant for your dinner. Your Tour Director will advise you on what to wear, but shorts and sneakers are likely to be considered inappropriate attire.

Day 9: Traditional Spanish Evening
$165CAD/$175CAD* (3 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)
Start the evening with a stroll through Plaza Mayor. Your Tour Director will tell you about the history of the square, where you'll see locals and travelers alike. On your way to dinner, walk through the illuminated streets of Madrid, taking in the local neighborhood ambiance in the evening light. Then, enjoy conversation, camaraderie, and live music at one of the oldest restaurants in the city. Between traditional Castilian courses, you'll be entertained by tuno music, an artistic tradition with its roots in Spain's universities.

Day 10: Toledo
$145CAD/$155CAD* (8 hours, departure time varies)
Today, discover Toledo, the clifftop city often referred to as La Ciudad Imperial ("The Imperial City"). Upon arrival, you'll have some free time to explore. Later in the afternoon, you'll kick off a guided tour at Toledo Cathedral: a massive Gothic structure housing a treasure trove of stained glass windows and golden artifacts. Gaze upon its sacristy, containing masterpieces by the likes of Van Dyck, El Greco, Rubens, and Titian. After exploring the labyrinth of medieval alleyways in the heart of the city, you'll visit the Church of Santo Tomé—a former mosque, dating to the 12th century, graced by one of El Greco's finest works, "The Burial of the Count of Orgaz." End your day with a stop at Santa María la Blanca, a museum that ranks as one of the oldest synagogues in Europe. Please note: This tour involves some walking over uneven terrain. Also, depending on the day of the week, the sites you visit may change.

Extension excursion options

Day 11: Lisbon Home-Hosted Dinner
$125CAD (3 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)
Join a local in their home in Lisbon to enjoy traditional dishes and dine like a true Lisboeta. During this dinner, you'll receive an authentic understanding of your host's day-to-day life while learning about Portuguese culture and traditions from a new perspective. Please note: Your Tour Director will not attend this excursion. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

Day 12: Fado Show & Dinner
$145CAD/$155CAD* (3 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)
Spend your evening at a Lisbon tavern listening to fado. Derived from the Latin word fatum—meaning "prophecy" or "fate"—fado is Portugal's national musical treasure. Fado's traditional theme is "saudade"—a word that doesn't quite translate to English but conveys a sense of both nostalgia and longing. Dinner is included during this memorable musical evening. Please note: This excursion typically ends around 11pm.

Day 13: Sintra & the Portuguese Riviera
$135CAD (8 hours, departs in the morning)
Journey to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Sintra and learn why the poet Lord Byron once called it a "glorious Eden." Get a glimpse into royal life during a guided tour of the 19th-century, romanticist Pena Palace. Take a bus and mini-train ride up to this story-book, mountaintop site, which boasts picturesque gardens and sweeping views of the Portuguese countryside. After your tour, you'll have free time to stroll through Sintra, viewing its colorful villas, small shops, and impeccably manicured gardens. On your way back to Lisbon, take in the coastal scenery of the Portuguese Riviera. You'll also stop in the old fishing village of Cascais to enjoy free time to discover the town's winding, narrow streets, and pastel-colored buildings. This excursion requires advance reservation and must be booked at least 20 days prior to departure.

*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at goaheadtours.ca/terms