



## EUROPE 2010

# BELGIUM, HOLLAND, FRANCE, MONACO, ITALY

*Experience some of the most renowned sites and charming cities that Europe has to offer. Magnificent cathedrals, historic architecture, fabled monuments, royal palaces, excellent museums, scenic beauty, fascinating history, great food, unique shopping and time for personal exploration, all combine to make this an adventure you will remember for a lifetime.*

**Day 1** - Depart New Orleans for Brussels, Belgium.

**Day 2-3 - Brussels** Among the sights awaiting you here on your city tour are the Grand Place - one of the most beautiful and impressive squares in Europe- and the Bronze statue of Brussel's oldest inhabitant, the world famous Mannekin-Pis. Cobble streets, splendid cafes and graceful Art Nouveau architecture speak to the city's eventful past. For a true taste of Brussels, stroll down rue des Bouchers (Butchers' Street), a narrow alley full of seafood eateries competing for your attention. An excursion to Bruges will reveal one of the purest medieval towns in Northern Europe with charming interlaced canals overhung with humpbacked bridges and weeping willows. This historic city center of Bruges is recognized as a World Heritage site.





**Day 4-6 Amsterdam, Holland** - Studded with canals and bridges, Amsterdam begs to be explored with its centuries-old gabled canal houses that remain beautifully intact. Embrace the 17th century homes of Amsterdam as you tour this city and its sights. Visit the Anne Frank House, where the young writer hid with her family during the Nazi occupation. View masterpieces at the Rijksmuseum and Van Gogh museum, housing world famous art collections. See the tower of Westerkerk (West Church) with its distinctive blue crown that dominates the skyline and discover quaint shopping and dining quarters. Take an excursion into the country-side, where you'll visit the charming towns of **Volendam** and **Marken**.

**Day 7- 9 Paris, France** - Paris, the "City of Lights." Enjoy a panoramic tour including such sights as the Eiffel Tower, Tuileries Gardens, Champs Elysees, Arch of Triumph, and the Place de la Concorde. Visit the Louvre Museum, perhaps the most famous museum in the world - Venus di Milo, Mona Lisa, and the Nike of Samothrace are awaiting. Experience renowned Notre Dame Cathedral, and marvel at the intricate stone carving and magnificent stained glass windows. View the city of Paris from Montmartre where you will see the Basilica of Sacre Couer. Explore this beautiful city with its monuments, parks, first class museums of every kind, and elegant shops.

**Day 10-12 Nice, The French Riviera** – Enjoy a guided tour of this seaside city. One of Nice's signature attractions is the Promenade des Anglais, a bustling walkway running along the Mediterranean Sea. Pebbled beaches and the azure blue water make up the famous beaches that give this area its name, the Cote D'Azur. Nestled into the hills rising up from the shore are narrow streets, red-tile roofs, churches, outdoor markets, al fresco restaurants, parks and dozens of museums. Explore the Old Town of Nice and discover its long winding streets and buildings dating back to the 16th century.

**Monaco** – The natural and man-made attributes of the Principality of Monaco have made it home and host to royalty and the brightest luminaries of painting, stage, film, dance, music, and the business world for nearly 150 years. Walk through the old city, see Monaco Cathedral and visit the 16 - 17th Century Royal Palace. Explore the Oceanography Museum and Aquarium, founded by Jacques Cousteau, and containing one of the richest collections of Mediterranean fish species in the world. See the internationally famous Monaco Casino built by the architect Charles Garnier, who also created the Paris Opera House.





**Day 13-15 Stresa, Italy** – En route to Stresa enjoy a guided tour of Torino, site of the 2006 winter Olympics. Experience its rich Baroque character, architecture, Royal Palace and Duomo. Located on the shore of beautiful Lake Maggiore, Stresa is known for its lovely mountain-backed setting, beautiful promenades and luxuriant gardens. From Stresa's waterfront, sprinkled with grand hotels, villas, and parks, you can have a magnificent view of the three islands of Lake Maggiore and of the Alps far away. During your time in Stresa, you may choose to stroll the cobbled streets, spend time exploring the Borromean Islands or take a cable car to the snow-capped peak of Monte Mottarone.

**Milan** - Tour this Italian center of business and fashion offering cultural activities, gastronomic adventures and designer shopping. Visit the Duomo, the grandest and most flamboyant Gothic style cathedral in Italy and the third largest Catholic Church in the world. 135 spires and 3,500 statues adorn the cathedral, including the symbol of Milan, the golden statue of the Madonnina. See La Scala Opera House, Galleria Vittorio Emanuele, and the Piazza del Duomo.

**Day 16** – Return to the United States taking with you the treasured memories of our adventure in Europe.



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