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## **ALPINE TOUR (6 DAYS) - 2012**

#### Brussels, Black Forest, Rhine Falls, Mount Titlis, Lucerne, Interlaken, Paris

DAY 1: London – Dover - Ferry – Calais – Brussels – Mannheim / Frankfurt area

This morning, at the check-in point, you will meet your Tour Manager and join the coach for a leisurely drive from London to Dover port, to board the ferry for the short channel crossing to Calais. Upon arrival, we proceed through Belgium. We first visit the city of Brussels, where on our orientation tour we see the Grand Place and the Mannekin Pis statue. Continuing our drive, we reach our overnight stop and check into our hotel. (Dinner)

#### DAY 2: Mannheim / Frankfurt area - Black Forest - Rhine Falls - Switzerland

Today, we depart after breakfast - joining the autobahn we enter into the enchanting Black Forest region, where you will marvel at the timeless serenity and unparalleled scenery around you. Our first stop is at scenic Lake Titisee where you have time to shop for cuckoo clocks. Continuing our drive, we pass through small idyllic villages before crossing the Swiss border. We stop at Schaffhausen, to visit the majestic Rhine Falls. Later we check into our hotel for a two nights stay. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

#### DAY 3: Switzerland: Mount Titlis - Lucerne

Driving through the Swiss alpine region and the winding mountain roads to the valley of Engelberg, we start our ascent to board the world's first revolving cable car, reaching the peak of 10,000 feet and the highest viewpoint in central Switzerland – Mount Titlis (weather permitting). Visit the Glacier Grotto or enjoy a breathtaking panorama from the sun terrace. Early afternoon, we begin our descent, passing the glaciers and thawing ice, which create majestic waterfalls. We visit the town of Lucerne, to see the Chapel Bridge and the Lion Monument. This afternoon, why not join the *additional excursion - Lake Lucerne Cruise*. Later, we drive to the picturesque town of Interlaken, the scene of many "Bollywood" films, where you have some time to browse through the shops. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

#### DAY 4: Switzerland - Paris

Early morning we leave the Swiss Alps behind us. Once into France, we join the super fast highways, driving past vineyards and mustard fields. Continue onto Paris, one of the most exciting and popular cities of Europe, renowned for it's fashion, perfumes, and of course the most talked about French champagne and wines. On arrival in Paris, we check into our hotel for a two nights stay. After dinner you may either rest at the hotel or join the *additional* 

excursion – River Seine Cruise & Paris by Night Tour (\*). Enjoy an amazing cruise on the River Seine - admire the spectacular facades from your covered boat. Later on our Paris by Night Tour we will see the main sights illuminated. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

DAY 5: Paris

Today you have the choice of two exciting day tours;

#### Paris City Tour

This morning, on our orientation tour of Paris, we will be introduced to the main sights of this beautiful city: Hotel des Invalides, Arc de Triomphe, Champs Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the Opera. Later we proceed to Versailles, to visit the magnificent Gardens at the Palace of Versailles, the former residence of the famous "Sun King". After dinner you may either rest at the hotel or join us for an exciting *optional Lido Paris Cabaret show*. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)

OR

### Disneyland Paris Theme Park

This morning we drive to the famous Disneyland Paris Theme Park where a day of excitement awaits the entire family. Meet your favourite Disney characters, watch amazing shows, ride the hair-raising "Space Mountain: Mission 2" roller coaster, enter Indiana Jones and the Temple of Peril and find yourself in a runaway wagon speeding through the ancient ruins. After dinner you may either rest at the hotel or join us for an exciting *optional Lido Paris Cabaret show*. (Breakfast, Dinner)

DAY 6: Paris - Calais - Ferry - Dover - London

This morning we visit the third floor (\*\*) of the Eiffel Tower to witness a spectacular panoramic view of the city. Later, you have some time to browse through the shops, or join the *additional excursion – Visit to Louvre Museum*, where you can see the famous Mona Lisa painting by Leonardo Da Vinci. Next we visit a French perfumery for some last minute shopping. Early afternoon we depart and journey north for Calais to board the ferry for the return channel crossing. On arrival at Dover port, we proceed to London, where the tour ends, and its time to say farewell to all the friends you have made on tour. (Breakfast, Lunch)

Note (\*): Please note that the *additional excursion – River Seine Cruise & Paris by Night Tour* may be operated on either Day 4 or Day 5 as per convenience.

Note (\*\*): The reservation for the visit to the Eiffel Tower is subject to availability, and could be up to the  $2^{nd}$  Floor or  $3^{rd}$  Floor.

#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:**

**BRUSSELS:** Orientation Tour including the Grand Place and Mannekin Pis

**BLACK FOREST:** Visit Lake Titisee, scenic drive

SWITZERLAND: Rhine Falls, cable car ride to Mount Titlis and, visit to Lucerne and

Interlaken **PARIS**:

**Paris City Tour:** Orientation Tour of Paris, visit to the Gardens at the Palace of Versailles, third floor (\*\*) of the Eiffel Tower, French Perfumery

OR

**Disneyland Paris Theme Park:** Visit to Disneyland Paris – one day unlimited pass, third floor (\*\*) of the Eiffel Tower, French Perfumery

#### YOUR TOUR INCLUDES:

- 5 nights in a First Class Hotel with private facilities
- 5 Vegetarian Buffet Breakfasts, 4 Indian Vegetarian Lunches (Hot / Packed) (1 additional Lunch on Day 5 for Paris City Tour passengers) and 5 Indian Vegetarian / Non Vegetarian Dinners
- Meal Plan is indicated at the bottom of your daily itinerary: Breakfast, Indian Vegetarian / Non Vegetarian Dinner, Indian Vegetarian Lunch (Hot / Packed)
- Return channel crossings by Ferry
- All coach transportation by executive cruise liners from departure to tour termination points
- All sightseeing, entrances and excursions as mentioned in the Itinerary
- Services of Bi-lingual "Taj Tours" Tour Manager throughout the Tour

### **TOUR DEPARTURES (2012):**

**Tour Code: 06D-ALP** (out Tuesdays – return Sundays)

March 27

April 04\*, 10 , 17, 24
May 02\*, 08, 15, 22, 31\*\*
June 05, 12, 19, 26
July 03, 10, 17, 24, 31
August 02\*\*, 07, 14, 22\*, 28

September 04, 11, 18, 25

October 16, 23 December 26@

- \*\* Thursday Departures
- @ Saturday Departures

<sup>\*</sup> Wednesday Departures

### **ADDITIONAL EXCURSIONS (GBP):**

Excursions	Adult	Child
		(2 – 11 years)
Lake Lucerne Cruise	£15.00	£10.00
River Seine Cruise & Paris by Night Tour	£20.00	£15.00
Supplement for visit to Disneyland Paris Theme	£25.00	£25.00
Park on Day 5		
Lido Paris Cabaret Show	£90.00	£90.00
Visit to Louvre Museum	£12.00	£7.00

### **TOUR PRICES (GBP):**

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Adult	£545.00
Child 2 – 11 yrs	£395.00
Infant 0 – 23 months	£100.00
Single Person	£675.00

#### **Early Bird Discount:**

Book 6 weeks in advance and get River Seine Cruise & Paris by Night Tour included, or £10.00 off the tour price per adult or child.

# **Extra Special Discount:**

Book before 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2012 with deposit payment, and get **5% off the tour price** in addition to the River Seine Cruise & Paris by Night Tour.

Adult Rate is based on 2/3 Adults (12+ years) sharing Twin / Triple Rooms Child (2-11 years) must share a Room with 2 Adults Infant price is for Coach Seat only Discounts available for groups of 15+ passengers