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# London and Paris Discovery

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Tour Dates: May 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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**DAY 1 Depart the USA:** Depart the USA on your overnight flight to London, England.

**DAY 2 London, England:** Welcome to England! Upon arrival at London's Heathrow Airport, you'll be met by a representative of Mayflower Cruises and Tours and transferred to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure for you to become acquainted with your new surroundings and begin discovering "merry ole England"! This evening, join your traveling companions for an included dinner, hosted by your Tour Manager. **Meal: D**

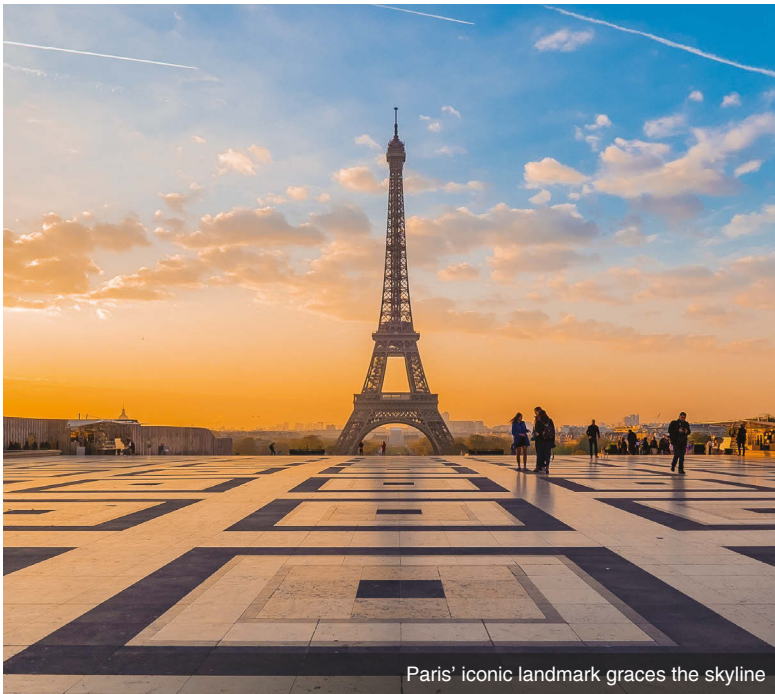
**DAY 3 London:** Begin the day with a panoramic orientation tour of London. Your local guide brings history to life as you depart by coach to see the historical sites and architectural wonders throughout the city. Monuments abound from the impressive Marble Arch to the Nelson Column in Trafalgar Square. Intricate façades decorate Westminster Abbey and the Houses of Parliament. Big Ben and the postcard-perfect Tower Bridge stand guard over the Thames River. The Victoria Memorial is showcased in front of Buckingham Palace. In contrast, the London Eye and the Shard are contemporary highlights to the skyline. All await your discovery! Once you have the lay of the land, the afternoon is free to explore on your own. **Meal: B**

**DAY 4 Leeds Castle and Dover:** Depart on a full-day excursion with your local guide for a visit to the 900-year-old Leeds Castle. Located in a picturesque countryside setting, and still surrounded by a moat, it has been called the 'loveliest castle in the world'. Originally built as a Norman stronghold,

the castle has evolved into one of the most visited historic buildings in Britain. From its military beginnings to uses as a palace by Henry VIII, private residence by royalty and political agendas, the local guide will tell tales of the history held within its walls. After visiting the castle, continue by coach to the Eastern coast to witness the majestic "White Cliffs of Dover". Known around the world for their place in history, as well as scenic beauty, they are considered England's most spectacular natural phenomenon. Return to the hotel for an evening at leisure. **Meal: B**

**DAY 5 London:** Enjoy a full day at leisure to pursue independent interests or join the optional excursion to Windsor Castle. Perhaps you'll choose to visit the Tower of London, explore local markets, visit some museums, take a ride on the London Eye, shop for souvenirs, see a show at one of the many theatres, or simply relax at a local pub. Your Tour Manager will be available to assist with your plans. **Meal: B**

**DAY 6 London – Paris, France:** It's time to say "cheerio" to London as you depart for the station where it's "all aboard" the *Eurostar*. Sit back and relax during this high-speed train ride under the English Channel via the "Chunnel" to Paris, France. Upon arrival in the "City of Light", your coach will be waiting to take you on an orientation tour. Your local guide will provide commentary as you drive along the Champs-Élysées and see other famous sites such as the Arc de Triomphe, Place de la Bastille, Opera Garnier, Place Vendôme, Les Invalides, the Latin Quarter, the Louvre and Place de la Concorde. Enjoy a photo stop at the iconic Eiffel Tower. The tour ends at the hotel for check-in and an evening at leisure. **Meal: B**



Paris' iconic landmark graces the skyline

**DAY 7 Paris:** Discover what it was like to live in a castle during today's visit to Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte. The guided tour through this privately owned château will highlight the period furnishings, beautiful paintings, tapestries and household items used in daily life. After the tour, attend a private workshop on "French Etiquette... the Art of Receiving". Learn how the staff was trained to properly greet guests, how seating plans were created for dinners at the château, the art of setting a formal table, appropriate manners, dress code and more. Before departing, enjoy an included lunch at the château. Upon returning to the hotel, the rest of the day is left free of planned activities. This evening, sample French cabaret entertainment on an optional excursion to *Paradis Latin* - one of the most historic cabaret venues in Paris. **Meals: B, L**

**DAY 8 Paris:** Today's included excursion begins with a journey by coach with a local guide to the opulent 17th-century Palace of Versailles. While visiting the palace, discover the former royal residence restored to its original grandeur. See the sleeping quarters of France's kings and queens, the rooms where elegant soirees were held, and the famous 'Hall of Mirrors' where the Treaty of Versailles was signed in 1919. After the excursion, return to the hotel for the remainder of the day and the final evening at leisure. **Meal: B**

**DAY 9 Paris / USA:** Having visited two historic yet cosmopolitan capital cities, bid 'au revoir' to Paris as you depart on the transfer to Charles de Gaulle Airport for your flight home. **Meal: B**



## Tour Highlights

- 9 meals: 7 breakfasts, 1 lunch and 1 dinner
- Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours
- Panoramic city tour of London
- Excursion to Leeds Castle and the Cliffs of Dover
- High-speed rail journey between London and Paris aboard the *Eurostar*
- Panoramic tour of Paris
- Learn about life in a château at Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte
- Discover the secrets to French etiquette at a private workshop
- Visit the regal Palace of Versailles
- All excursions with local English-speaking guides

## HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

**Days 2 through 5** – Holiday Inn Kensington High Street, London, England

**Days 6 through 8** – Crowne Plaza Republique or similar, Paris, France

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Opulence abounds in the Palace of Versailles

2024 Departure	Per Person Twin	Single Room add
May 8	\$3,799	+ \$1,299

**FREE AIFARE if reservations are made by October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 (\$1500) from Sacramento Airport.**

**Travel Insurance Recommended.**

Please call for promotion on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Air itineraries may not be available until documents are received. Air seats are assigned by the airline for the entire group. Seat changes can only be attempted upon receipt of tickets and documents at which time availability may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your reservation, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking air with the group.*

### Travelers Protection Plan (TPP) – \$349 per person (optional)

This nonrefundable fee waives all cancellation fees when we are notified of cancellation one day before the tour departs. If you must leave the tour early due to personal illness, illness or death of a member of your immediate family, TPP guarantees full refund for any unused services after the departure of the tour. Other benefits include medical expenses for illness and injury, emergency transportation, 24 hour hot line, and lost or stolen baggage assistance. Return air transportation is included ONLY if your air tickets were provided by Mayflower Cruises & Tours. If you purchase the optional Travelers Protection Plan (TPP), you will be refunded all payments, including deposit amount, less the TPP premium amount.

### Cancellation Charges Without Traveler's Protection Plan (TPP)

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| • 91 days or more                          | Deposit Amount    |
| • 90 to 45 days prior                      | 20% of tour cost  |
| • 44 to 15 day prior                       | 30% of tour cost  |
| • 14 to 1 day prior                        | 40% of tour cost  |
| • Day 1 of departure                       | 100% of tour cost |
| • or early departure from tour             |                   |
| • No refund on unused portions of the tour |                   |



Exclusions: Mayflower Cruises & Tours reserves the right to alter its refund and cancellation policy when a substantial amount of cancellation or postponement of travel is attributable to: conditions resulting from an act of God, natural or man-made disaster, fire, government action, civil disorder, war, hostilities between nations, or unavailability of transportation through no fault of Mayflower Cruises & Tours.

### TOUR ACTIVITY LEVEL



### Optional Excursions\*

Windsor Castle (London): \$170 per person

Paradis Latin Cabaret Show (Paris): \$190 per person

\*Note: minimum number of participants needed to operate

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