



Rome 2 the Northern Loop

Please Note: Although rare, departure times are subject to change.

Included

- All transport in luxury coach transport (with A/C, DVD, & bathroom)
- Accommodation with your friends at top rated hostels
- Breakfast every morning
- Private New Europe Walking Tours in Berlin, Amsterdam, Paris, and Barcelona
- Exclusive Bus2alps discounts throughout each city
- Bus2alps trip leader

Currency

- Euro

What to Pack

- Passport
- Towel
- Weather-appropriate clothes
- Comfortable shoes / sandals
- Bathing suit
- Extra spending money

Detailed Itinerary

Please Note: For accurate departure times, travel times, prices of activities, and suggestions on how much extra money you will need, please contact info@bus2alps.com.

Day 1 - Thursday

The trip departs Rome from the Roma Termini train station. The meeting point is in front of the Nike store at the front of the train station. Please meet your trip leader 30 minutes prior to departure. Travel to Prague is by private luxury coach with A/C, DVD, and bathroom. We make one 45 minute stop. Upon arrival to Prague, we will immediately check into our accommodation.

Day 2 - Friday

Friday morning, after some time to eat breakfast and freshen up, we hook up with the best walking tour in the city, Sandemans New Prague Walking Tour. Our tour will cover all the main sites and stories of Prague's fascinating history exploring the Old Town, New Town, and the Jewish Quarter. We will show you some of our favorite places to eat and then the rest of the day is free to explore Prague at your own pace. Other options are endless: shopping sprees, sipping on the local brew at the Beer Museum, climb to the top of the Clock Tower in Old Town Square, and so much more!

Friday night we take you out to one of Prague's best clubs, Lucerna, for an 80's & 90's night! With a great atmosphere and cheap drinks, Lucerna is the place to be every Friday night. The venue is packed with Czechs of all ages dancing to your favorite throwback songs on the huge dance floor and stage.

Day 3 - Saturday

Saturday morning your Bus2alps Trip Leader will take you on the Bus2alps customized walking tour of Prague. You will go across the the river to Mala Strana and get up close and personal with the Charles Bridge, John Lennon Wall, and some of David Cerny's most famous art installments. You will then have the option to join the group for a traditional Czech meal at U Fleku Brewery & Restaurant. This 3 course meal that includes a dark beer is something you don't want to miss! After lunch we will be heading up to the Prague Castle, which boasts some of the best views of the city. Saturday night, you can either sign up for an optional pub crawl, or have the night free to yourself to explore even more of Prague's nightlife.

Day 4 - Sunday

We depart Prague for Berlin. Upon arrival we will check into our accommodation. You will have the afternoon free to check out Museum Island, get a view of the city at the TV Tower, shop at the markets, or explore the city. Sunday night we will show those who are interested the eclectic Berlin night scene. Berlin's nightlife is massive and has something for everyone's tastes. We recommend checking out the pub crawl as Berlin's nightlife can be difficult to navigate as a tourist.

Day 5 - Monday

Wake up to the city that first divided Europe and then reunited it, Berlin. After breakfast we will depart to see Berlin with the Sandemans New Berlin Walking Tour, one of the top walking tours in Europe. We will be stopping at Brandenburg Gate, The Berlin Wall, Checkpoint Charlie, The Reichstag, Mitte Town, and Museums Island. After, you are free to explore, join a specialized tour, or follow your trip leader to the East Side Gallery. There will be an optional, organized group dinner at Hofbräu Berlin. After dinner we will return to our accommodation, grab our luggage and depart for Amsterdam. We will check into our accommodation upon arrival in Amsterdam.

Day 6 - Tuesday

Tuesday morning we will be going on Sandemans New Amsterdam Walking Tour. The walking tour covers much of the city including the Red Light District, Dam Square, and the canals. The walking tour concludes near the Anne Frank House. Entry to the Anne Frank House is optional but we highly recommend booking tickets in advance for the Anne Frank House as availability is limited. For those that choose not to enter the Anne Frank House, you have a free afternoon to explore the city's museums, restaurants, and shops. There are also various bike and canal tours we can recommend for a quicker way to see the city. The night is free to join a pub crawl or explore Amsterdam's engaging and provocative nightlife.

Day 7 - Wednesday

Wednesday, during breakfast, you can sign up for an optional self-guided tour of the Heineken Factory with your Bus2alps guide, which includes a walk through the brewery, beer tasting, and small souvenir. After breakfast, your trip leader will bring the group to Museumplein, where you can take your picture on the famous I Amsterdam sign. Following some free time at Museumplein, the group will head over to the Heineken Experience. For those who haven't signed up, you have a free afternoon to explore any sites you haven't seen yet. Just a short ferry ride over to the North Side of Amsterdam you will find a flight simulation experience 'This is Holland' and the A'Dam

Lookout. Amsterdam is also rich with museums, boasting the largest volume in Europe. We recommend making time to see the Van Gogh Museum, Rijksmuseum, and Anne Frank House, if you have not already done so.

Day 8 - Thursday

We will depart Amsterdam Thursday early morning for Brussels. We will arrive in Brussels late morning and will get to spend a few hours to visit Grand Place, the famous Delirium brewery, and will have time to try a Belgian waffle. Mid-afternoon we will be getting back on the bus to depart for Paris. After we check into our accommodation in Paris, you will have a free evening to explore the "City of Lights". If you would like to stay with the group, we will take those who are interested to watch the Eiffel Tower light up and check out Paris' bustling nightlife.

Day 9 - Friday

Friday morning we depart for the Sandemans New Paris Walking Tour, including stops at the Notre Dame, Pont des Arts, Les Tuileries, plus much more. The tour ends in front of the Louvre, which we will point out the secret entrance to, for all those interested in seeing its over 70,000 pieces of art. Afterwards, your trip leader will bring those interested to the Eiffel Tower or Arc de Triomphe. You will have time in the afternoon to check out the museums, shop on the chic Champs de Elysee, or hang out at the Eiffel Tower. The night is yours to explore Paris' nightlife, watch the sunset at Sacre Coeur or relax at the hostel.

Day 10 - Saturday

The last full day of The Northern Loop gives you time to check the last of Paris off your list. Saturday is the perfect day to take a trip out to Versailles Palace, the most notable palace in the world. Meet your Bus2alps Trip Leader in the accommodation lobby for Versailles. You will have time on return from Versailles to visit the Louvre, Musee d'Orsay, climb the Eiffel Tower, Arc du Triomphe, or head out for some last second retail therapy. We will depart for Rome late Saturday night.

Day 11 - Sunday

Sunday we arrive in Rome. In 10 days we will have spanned 4,500 kilometers, driven through 7 countries, hit 4 major cities, and had an unforgettable time. Now go get some rest!

Included Activities

New Prague Walking Tour: Learn and live the massive history of the Bohemian capital in a stylish and entertaining way.

New Berlin Walking Tour: It is no surprise that the city where New Europe began offers one of the best tours in Europe. The New Berlin Walking Tour helps bring to the present, the past of a divided city that changed the face of Europe.

New Amsterdam Walking Tour: There is more to this city than just coffee shops and red lights! New Europe weaves you through the cobblestone roads and along the beautiful canals of Amsterdam providing great insight to the unique culture of this city.

New Paris Walking Tour: This tour explores centuries of Parisian history, romance, and beheading. New Europe shows you Paris as it was meant to be seen; by walking along the banks of the Seine, and through its royal gardens and squares. Visit Notre Dame, Pont des Arts, Pont Neuf, The Louvre and Les Tuileries all in one tour.

Optional Activities

New Europe Tours: New Europe offers several specialized tours in each city on this tour that supplement the overall city tour. You receive exclusive discounts on these tours when you book through the Bus2alps website. Depending on the specialized tour you would like to participate in, there will be public tours departing within the times we are in that city.

Clock Tower Pub Crawl: The top Pub Crawl in Prague, and one of the best in Europe, all Bus2alps group members get a Free T-Shirt, VIP and priority entrance for each bar, and a champagne toast at the start.

U Fleku Lunch: U Fleku Restaurant & Brewery is one of Prague's most well-known beer halls. The group will enjoy a three-course traditional Czech lunch in addition to their famous Pilsner, brewed in-house.

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New Berlin Pub Crawl: Berlin has an eccentric nightlife, with a mix of alternative, grunge bars, and posh lounges. The New Berlin Pub Crawl gives you unlimited beer at the first bar, a free shot of Jagermeister with every drink after, and a chance to see just what makes Berlin's nightlife one of the best and strangest in Europe.

Heineken Experience: This tour of Amsterdam's most well-known brewery includes a behind-the-scenes look at the factory, beer tastings, and a small souvenir. Everyone with Bus2alps will receive a discount on their ticket price and a designated entry time.

This is Holland: This Ultimate Flight Experience allows you to soar above the Dutch landscape and see the country's must-see sights. Without leaving Amsterdam travel around the breathtaking country and learn about the history and how they succeeded in reclaiming the land from the seas.

Additional Optional Activities:

Prague:

Clock Tower Bar Crawl- approximately €24

Prague Castle Tour- approximately €11

Prague Beer Tour- approximately €15

Kutna Hora Day Trip- approximately €36

Berlin:

Pub Crawl of Berlin- approximately €12

Red Berlin Tour- approximately €14

Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp Tour- approximately €16

Berlin 3rd Reich Tour- approximately €14
Berlin Alternative City Tour- approximately €14

Amsterdam:

Amsterdam Canal Cruise- Cost varies per type of cruise, least expensive is around €16 for 75 minutes
Heineken Experience- €18
Anne Frank House- €9
Van Gogh Museum- €17
Amsterdam City Bike Tour- approximately €20
Amsterdam Red Light District Tour- approximately €14
Amsterdam Alternative City Tour- approximately €14

Paris:

Montmartre District Tour- approximately €16
Paris Latin Quarter Tour- approximately €16
Pub Crawl of Paris- approximately €16
Entrance to Versailles- approximately €17

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