

France and Switzerland share a 372-mile border—and centuries of close political ties and cultural connections. Go beyond the sights and gain a deeper understanding of the way of life in both countries, from making cheese in Emmental, visiting an alphorn maker in Eggiwil, taking an Impressionist painting lesson in Paris, or making an early-morning visit to a street market.

## **EVERYTHING YOU GET:**



**Full-time Tour Director** 



**Sightseeing:** 1 sightseeing tour led by an expert, licensed local guide; 1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director (2 with extension); 1 walking tour (2 with extension)



**Entrances:** Bear Park; Einstein House; Schilthorn cable car; Alphorn maker; Eiffel Tower; Notre Dame Cathedral; Sainte-Chapelle; Musée d'Orsay; *With extension: French perfume factory* 



**Experiential learning:** Swiss interactive activity; Team-building activity; Impressionist painting lesson



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All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; Comfortable motorcoach; *TGV high-speed train with extension;* 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms (10 with extension); European breakfast and dinner daily





Anyone can see the world.

# YOU'RE GOING TO **EXPERIENCE IT.**

As you can see, your EF tour includes visits to the places you've learned about in school. That's a given. But it's so much more than that. Immersing yourself in new cultures surrounded by the people, the language, the food, the way of life—creates inspirational moments that can't be listed in an itinerary. They can only be experienced.

And the experience begins long before you get your passport stamped and meet your *Tour Director* in your arrival city. It begins the moment you decide to go. Whether it's connecting with other travelers on Facebook, Twitter or Instagram, or delving deeper into your destinations with our online learning platform, weShare, the excitement will hit you long before you pack your suitcase.

When your group arrives abroad, everything is taken care of so you can relax and enjoy the experience. Your full-time Tour Director is with your group around the clock, handling local transportation, hotels and meals while also providing their own insight into the local history and culture. *Expert local guides* will lead your group on sightseeing tours, providing detailed views of history, art, architecture or anything you may have a question about.

When your journey is over and you're unpacking your suitcase at home, you'll realize the benefits of your life-changing experience do not end. They have just begun.

**@EFtours** I attribute my college semester abroad to the love for travel I discovered on an EF Tour in high school #traveltuesday

- MELISSA, TRAVELER

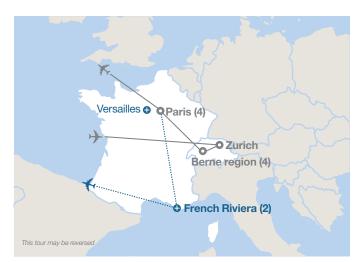




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# What you'll experience on your tour

#### Day 1: Fly overnight to Switzerland

## Day 2: Zurich | Berne region

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport
- Travel to the Berne region

#### Day 3: Zurich | Berne region

- Take a guided tour of Berne, the de facto capital of Switzerland nestled 12 miles north of the Bernese Alps, and see why it was recently ranked among the world's Top 10 cities for best quality of life. The River Aare flows in a horseshoe pattern around Berne's historic old town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Here you can snap a photo of the Zytglogge, a medieval clock tower featuring moving puppets, as well as the Münster, a 15th-century Gothic cathedral. At the Einstein House, see where Albert Einstein lived from 1903-1905 while working out his theory of relativity. At the Bear Park, a natural enclosure along the River Aar, keep an eye out for four of the city's most famous inhabitants.
- Visit Bear Park
- Visit the Einstein House
- Travel to Emmental
- Enjoy an experiential activity: Cheese dairy; or Cookie baking

# Day 4: Stechelberg | Eggiwil | Berne region

- Travel to Stechelberg
- Ride the Schilthorn cable car
- Enjoy a short hike
- Travel to Eggiwil
- Visit an alphorn maker
- Return to Berne region

#### Day 5: Berne region

- Participate in a team-building activity

#### Day 6: Berne region | Paris

- Travel via Burgundy to Paris, the City of Light. During your stay you'll get a taste of Parisian style as you ride down the Champs-Élysées, an elegant boulevard packed with high-fashion boutiques. Pass the Place de la Concorde and the Arc de Triomphe and strike a pose in front of the Eiffel Tower. At the École Militaire, see where a promising young Napoleon launched his rise to power. I.M. Pei's iconic glass pyramid marks the entrance to the renowned Louvre, home to treasures like Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa. Then, admire the Notre Dame Cathedral's sculptured façade, stained-glass rose windows and seemingly weightless vaulted ceilings.

#### Day 7: Paris

- Take an expertly guided tour of Paris: Place de la Concorde; Champs-Élysées; Arc de Triomphe; Les Invalides
- Take an Impressionist painting lesson
- Visit the Eiffel Tower

#### Day 8: Paris

- Visit a Parisian market
- Time to see more of Paris or
- Visit Versailles. Nobody does decadence like Louis XIV, and there's no better testament to this than Versailles. Under the direction of the Sun King, the château that began as a modest hunting lodge exploded into one of the largest palaces on earth. On your excursion to this lavish estate, explore the state apartments of the king and queen and the magnificent Hall of Mirrors. Walk through the meticulously landscaped gardens and marvel at dozens of ornate fountains. Discover why Versailles was more than just a vacation home: Louis XIV hosted his royal court here to reign in their power and prevent their political rise.

#### Day 9: Paris

- Take a walking tour of Paris: lle de la Cité
- Visit Notre Dame Cathedral
- Visit Sainte-Chapelle
- Visit Musée d'Orsay

Day 10: Depart for home

#### **9** 2-DAY TOUR EXTENSION

#### Day 10: Paris | French Riviera

- Travel by TGV train to Nice
- Take a walking tour of Nice: Vieille Ville;
   Promenade des Anglais

### Day 11: French Riviera

- Visit the principality of Monaco: Prince's Palace; Monaco Cathedral; Monte-Carlo Casino
- Visit a French perfume factory in Eze

Day 12: Depart for home



Today was so incredibly lovely <3 #Paris #france #eiffeltower #toureiffel #europe #lovely #sky

- NINET , TRAVELER



This tour was absolutely packed with activities and places to visit; there was no dull moment in this tour.

- MYACAH, STUDENT



# TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY OR EXPLORE

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-CHARLOTTE, DAUGHTER TRAVELED JUNE 2014



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