



**HOLY SITES OF EUROPE TOUR** 

18 SEPTEMBER – 5 OCTOBER 2026

Portugal, Spain, France and Italy

Optional Tour Extension – 5 days Medjugorje

Let us take you to the most holy sites of Europe, visiting Portugal, Spain, France and Italy. This 18-day tour starts in Portugal. We visit Fatima, the Hamlet of Aljustrel and all the important sites dedicated to the shepherds. We then travel to Burgos in Spain to visit Santa Maria Cathedral and then onto Lourdes in France. We visit the Grotto where our Lady appeared to a young St Bernadette, immerse yourself in the baths and join the candlelit procession in the evening. Our travels then take us to Avignon, the city of Popes.

Our spiritual journey continues onto Italy, where we visit the Basilica of St Anthony in Padua; Assisi to visit the basilicas of St Francis and St Clare; Lanciano where the Eucharistic Miracle occurred; Loreto and the Holy House; Osimo to visit the Basilica of St Joseph of Cupertino and then onto to San Giovanni Rotondo to visit the sites dedicated to Padre Pio. Our spiritual journey would not be complete without visiting the Holy City, Rome - St Peter's Basilica, the Basilicas of St John in Lateran, St Mary Major and St Paul Outside the Walls, the Holy Steps and the Basilica of the 12 Apostles where we find the remains of St Phillip & St James.

The group will be escorted from Sydney.

Don't miss out on this extraordinary tour and book by 30 November 2025. For tour inclusions, see over the page.

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18 day tour includes airfares, accommodation, coach transport, all entrance fees and all taxes.

3\*accommodation including breakfast and dinner daily as per itinerary.

Travel in a deluxe coach through Europe with local tour guides. Fully escorted from Sydney.

Price: \$8,150\*per person twin share (\$1,550 single room supplement)

Deposit \$2,500 by 30 November 2025. Final payment by 18 May 2026

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### **TOUR INCLUSIONS**

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- 2 nights in Fatima, Portugal
- 1 night in Burgos, Spain
- 2 nights in Lourdes, France
- 1 night in Avignon
- 1 night in Nice
- 1 night Padua
- 1 night in Loreto
- 2 nights in San Giovanni Rotondo
- 2 nights in Assisi
- 3 nights in Rome, Italy

#### **FLIGHTS**

 International airfares (economy class) are included in the package price and are based on travel from Sydney on 18 September and return from Rome on 5 October. Flights outside of these dates may incur additional charges.

#### **ACCOMMODATION, DINING & TRANSPORT**

- 3\* hotel accommodation dedicated for pilgrims with breakfast and dinner daily.
- Touring in deluxe coach.
- Local tour guides as per itinerary.
- Entrance fees as per itinerary.
- Tips and city taxes are included.

#### **EXCLUSIONS:**

- Lunches throughout and drinks at dinner.
- Items of a personal nature.
- Travel Insurance.
- Porterage.
- Anything not stated in the inclusions.

# TOUR COST: \$8,150\* per person twin share. An additional \$1,550 for a single room supplement

- No refund for any unused portions of the itinerary.
- Prices are based per person in twin share.
- Prices could be subject to change when confirmation of airline seats and hotel/land components are received.

the tour maybe cancelled. Bookings after 30 November 2025 may incur an additional surcharge.

#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

A non-refundable deposit of \$2,500 per person is required by 30 November 2025. (Please note financial institution surcharges apply if paying by credit card).

A further \$2,000 to be paid by 18 March 2026.

You will also need to:

- **Provide a photocopy of your passport** (for each passenger) at the time of booking.
- Progress payments can be made. Final payment due 18 May 2026.
- Current passport with 6 month validity from date of return is required. No responsibility is taken for refusal of entry into Europe due to non-disclosure of any conviction or breach of law. Visa and passport validity are the full responsibility of the traveler.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

# City Tax - This is a tax introduced by regional and local councils in Europe and is charged to tourists. This tax is included in the package price.

**## Tips (Gratuities) - Tips are included** in the tour price for services of the driver and various guides throughout the tour.

**Luggage -** You will be responsible for all your personal belongings whilst on the tour. With regards to luggage, you will need to carry your own luggage from the coach to the hotel room and back to the coach. The driver will assist with the loading and unloading of luggage from the coach.

Health & Medical considerations - You will be responsible for identifying and securing any medical related documents for your travel from your doctor/health practitioner. It is highly recommended that you be medically and physically healthy and capable of walking. If you require special assistance, please discuss this with Paramount Travel before booking the tour as you may have to bring along a companion to assist you.

<sup>\*</sup> Package price is based on minimum 35 paying adults. If numbers fall below this, tour cost may increase or

#### **TOUR ITINERARY**

#### SEPT 18, 2026 (FRI) – DEPART SYDNEY

Evening flight from Sydney. Airline TBA.

# SEPT 19, 2026 (SAT) - LISBON - FATIMA

(D) Arrival at Lisbon airport and transfer to Fatima. Dinner and overnight in Fatima.

# **SEPT 20, 2026 (SUN) – FATIMA**

(BD) Sunday morning Mass. Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Free day for religious activities in Fatima where in 1917 Our Lady appears 6 times to three children (Lucia, Jacinta and Francisco). In the morning, visit the hamlet of Aljustrel where the children lived and the rest of the day free for religious activities. In the evening, we can participate to the Candlelight Procession. Dinner and overnight in Fatima.

# SEPT 21, 2026 (MON) - FATIMA - BURGOS

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. After breakfast we depart for Burgos, the historic capital of Old Castile. Hotel check-in. Dinner and overnight in Burgos.

#### SEPT 22, 2026 (TUES) – BURGOS - LOURDES

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. After breakfast we have a tour (with local guide) of the Cathedral of Burgos (entrance included) – once of the oldest cathedrals in Europe dating back to 1075AD. After free time for lunch (not included), we travel through the spectacular Pyrenees Mountains. Nestled in the mountains stands picturesque Lourdes, the birthplace of St. Bernadette to whom Our Lady appeared in 1858 near the Grotto of Massabielle. Dinner at the hotel. Possibility to take part in Candlelight Procession. Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

## **SEPT 23, 2026 (WED) – LOURDES**

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Day dedicated to the visit (with local guide of the Sanctuary) of the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes: The Basilica, the Crypt, the Apparition Grotto, the healing baths, the Esplanade, the family home of Bernadette Soubirous "the Holy Mill", where it is possible to view at the ground floor the room where Bernadette was born. In the evening, we can take part in the Candlelight Procession again. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes.

# SEPT 24, 2026 (THURS) - LOURDES - AVIGNON

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. We enjoy a drive through the French countryside en route to Avignon. Dinner and overnight in Avignon.

# SEPT 25, 2026 (FRI) – AVIGNON - NICE

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Enjoy a 2 hour visit of Avignon with local guide then transfer to Nice. Free time in Nice to explore the city at leisure. Dinner and overnight in Nice.

# **SEPT 26, 2026 (SAT) - NICE - PADUA**

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Today is a travel day. Dinner and overnight in Padua.

# SEPT 27, 2026 (SUN) – PADUA – OSIMO - LORETO

(BD) Sunday morning Mass. Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Visit the Basilica of St Anthony (2 hours) and then transfer to Osimo.

Visit freely the Basilica of St Joseph of Cupertino in Osimo where the remains of the saint are held. Free time for lunch, then continue on to the great Marian shrine of Loreto to visit the Holy House of Nazareth and the beautiful Madonna of Loreto. The Holy House is said to have been transported by angels to this hill in central Italy in 1294. Tradition has it that this is the house in which Mary first prayed and in which Jesus grew to manhood, and in which the Holy Family lived. Dinner and overnight in Loreto.

# SEPT 28, 2026 (MON) – LORETO – SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Travel to San Giovanni Rotondo, Padre Pio. Dinner and overnight in San Giovanni Rotondo.

# SEPT 29, 2026 (TUES) – SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO – MONTE SANT'ANGELO

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel.

Free morning for religious activities in San Giovanni Rotondo and free time for lunch.

In the afternoon, travel to Monte Sant'Angelo and visit the grotto of St Michael the Archangel. Dinner and overnight in San Giovanni Rotondo.

# SEPT 30, 2026 (WED) – SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO – LANCIANO - ASSISI

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Travel to Lanciano to see the Eucharistic Miracle. Free time for lunch then travel to Assisi. Dinner and overnight in Assisi.

#### **OCT 1, 2026 (THURS) – ASSISI**

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Visit (with local guide) the basilica of St Francis and St Clare. Dinner and overnight in Assisi.

# OCT 2, 2026 (FRI) - ASSISI - ROME

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Visit freely the church of Santa Maria Degli Angeli before making our way to Rome. Arrival in Rome for dinner and overnight.

### OCT 3, 2026 (SAT) - ROME

(BD) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Today we will visit (with local guide) St. Peter's Square and Basilica, where there are crypts with the tombs of the Saints and of the Popes. Then, in the afternoon, we will visit (with local guide) St. Mary Major's Basilica. Dinner and overnight in Rome.

### **OCT 4, 2026 (SUN) - ROME**

(BD) Sunday morning Mass. Buffet breakfast in the hotel. In the morning, we will visit (with local guide) St. Paul Outside the Walls and St. John Lateran Basilica with the Holy Stairs. Opportunity to visit the Basilica of the 12 Apostles where we will find the bones of St Phillip and St James. Farewell dinner and overnight in the hotel.

### OCT 5 (MON) - ROME - DEPARTURE

(B) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Depending on return flights, optional visit to Santa Cecilia in Trastevere church – the patron saint of musicians. Transfer to the Rome International airport for your return flight to Sydney.

Evening flight. Arrive Sydney + 1 day.

#### OCT 5 (MON) - ROME - ANCONA

#### (Medjugorje Extension)

(B,D) Buffet breakfast in the hotel. Optional visit to Santa Cecilia in Trastevere church – the patron saint of musicians. Transfer to the Ancona to take the overnight ferry (private cabin & ensuite) to Split.

#### OCT 5 – 7 MEDJUGORJE

### OCT 8 (THURS) - SPLIT - ANCONA

(B,D) Buffet breakfast at the hotel and then transfer to Split to take the overnight ferry to Ancona. Private cabin & ensuite.

#### OCT 9 (FRI) - ANCONA - ROME

(B) Disembark in Ancona and transfer to Rome International airport for your evening return flight to Sydney.

Arrive Sydney + 1 day.

The itinerary presented above is the program planned and intended for the trip. However, the itinerary may be subject to changes and modifications depending on timings, weather, local conditions and unforseen circumstances. Although no changes are anticipated, Paramount Travel reserves the right to change or vary the itinerary as deemed necessary.

\*\*\*\*END OF TOUR\*\*\*\*

# MEDJUGORJE TOUR EXTENSION <u>5 - 9 OCTOBER 2026</u>



A 5-day extension to Medjugorje

#### **TOUR HIGHLIGHTS:**

- 5 Oct travel to Ancona to catch the overnight ferry to Split. Private cabin with ensuite on-board, including dinner and breakfast.
- 6 Oct arrive in Split and transfer to Medjugorje (B,D)
- 2 full days in Medjugorje for personal and religious activities (B,D)
- Climb Apparition Hill (Mt Podbrdo) where on 24 June 1981 Our Lady appeared to 6 young parishioners and keeps appearing and delivering her messages.
- Meet the Cenacolo Community a Catholic community that offers free, residential rehabilitation for people suffering from addiction, depression or simply looking for an experience of faith, prayer and friendship. Founded by Sr Elvira Petrozzi of the Sisters of Divine Charity.
- Possibility to meet the Visionaries (if available).
- Mass throughout the tour.
- 8 Oct transfer to Split to take the overnight ferry back to Ancona. Private cabin with ensuite on-board, including dinner and breakfast.
- 9 Oct arrive in Ancona and transfer to Rome airport (B)

<u>The 5-day tour extension includes – accommodation, coach transport, breakfast and dinner daily, local tour guides and fully escorted.</u>

COST: \$1,450 per person twin share\*\*. Single room supplement \$490. There are limited single rooms available. \*\* Package price is based on a minimum 25 paying adults. If numbers fall below this, tour costs may increase.

For further information, please contact Laura at Paramount Travel on 1300 969 704 or 0414 295 367.