



GREENDALE FRIEND'S CLUB PRESENTS ...

Romantic Villages of Alpine Europe

ITALY: STRESA | SWITZERLAND: INTERLAKEN | AUSTRIA: SEEFELD | GERMANY: MUNICH

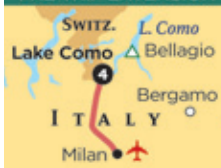


Arrival/Departure
Nights at destination
Included Tour
Optional Tour
Motorcoach Route

PRE-TRIP EXTENSION



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Departure: APRIL 10, 2027

Return: April 25, 2027

ITINERARY OVERVIEW

PRE-TRIP EXTENSION: Lake Como & Milan, Italy

Day 1 • Depart U.S.

Day 2-5 • Stresa, Italy

Included Tours Stresa, Borromean Islands
Optional Tour Treasures of Lake Orta

Day 6-9 • Interlaken, Switzerland

Included Tours Zermatt, Interlaken
Optional Tour Bernese Oberland

Day 10-14 • Seefeld, Austria

Included Tours Vaduz, Seefeld, Innsbruck, Mittenwald
Optional Tours Austrian Afternoon, Bavaria

Day 15 • Munich, Germany

Included Tour Munich

Day 16 • Return to U.S.

POST-TRIP EXTENSION: Munich, Germany & Salzburg, Austria

17 days from

\$5,745

Including international airfare from Boston

MAXIMIZE YOUR DISCOVERIES & VALUE

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Lake Como & Milan, Italy
4 nights pre-trip from \$1,595

IT'S INCLUDED

- Choose to **purchase Grand Circle's airfare**, and your airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges are included. Or, make your own air arrangements
- **Accommodations** for 14 nights in comfortable rooms with private baths
- **27 meals:** 14 breakfasts, 5 lunches, and 8 dinners (including 1 Home-Hosted Dinner)
- **17 included features:** 9 guided tours and 8 exclusive Discovery Series events: Local produce tasting · Cross-border workers discussion · *Switzerland Today* discussion · Woodcarving museum · Swiss farm visit · Home-Hosted Dinner · Liechtenstein winery visit · *Women of World War II* discussion
- Exclusive services of a local **Grand Circle Program Director** (assigned to no more than 42 travelers)
- **Gratuities** on your main trip for local guides and motorcoach drivers
- **Personal headset** for all included and optional tours on your main trip
- Private motorcoach land travel
- Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips
- **5% Frequent Traveler Credit** toward your next trip



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WHAT TO EXPECT

Group Size

- A maximum of 42 travelers, led by a local Grand Circle Program Director

Pacing

- 4 locations in 15 days, including 1 single-night stay

Physical Requirements

- Walk 1-2 miles unassisted and participate in 1-2 hours of physical activities daily, including stairs
- Three days of this trip may require 3 miles of walking and 3-5 hours of optional physical activity
- Not accessible for travelers using wheelchairs or scooters

- Travelers using walkers, crutches, or other mobility aids must travel with a companion to assist them
- We reserve the right for Program Directors to restrict participation, or in some circumstances send travelers home, if their limitations impact the group's experience

Terrain & Transportation

- Several days at altitudes between 3,000-6,000 feet
- Uneven walking surfaces, including unpaved paths, hills, stairs, and cobblestones

- Travel by 51-seat motorcoach, public trains, and 50- to 200-seat boats

Climate

- Daytime temperatures range from 43-82°F during touring season
- June-August are the warmest months, with high humidity in Lake Maggiore
- April and October weather can be unpredictable and change quickly
- Alpine temperatures can drop suddenly with cold wind, rain, or snow year-round

ITINERARY

Day 1 • Depart U.S.

Depart today on your flight to Italy.

Day 2 • Arrive Stresa, Italy

You'll be met at the Milan airport and driven to your hotel in Stresa. Meet your Program Director at your hotel and enjoy a Welcome Drink as you settle in and greet your fellow travelers—including those who took our *Lake Como & Milan, Italy* pre-trip extension.

D—La Palma Hotel or similar

Day 3 • Stresa

Following an orientation briefing, your Program Director will take you on a walk of Stresa and Lake Maggiore, your home base for the next four nights and a beloved resort town for the region's well-to-do. During your walk, you'll have the opportunity to sample the region's local produce during an **Exclusive Discovery Series** event tasting. This evening, gather for a Welcome Dinner in a local restaurant.

B,D—La Palma Hotel or similar

Day 4 • Stresa • Explore Borromean Islands • Home-Hosted Dinner

Explore the Borromean Islands on a private boat cruise, including Isola Bella's renowned Palazzo Borromeo and the charming fishing village of Isola Pescatori, where you'll have lunch. You'll also visit

Isola Madre to stroll its stunning English-style gardens. Tonight enjoy an **Exclusive Discovery Series** event when you join a local family for a **Home-Hosted Dinner**. This is a unique opportunity to visit a typical home and sample home-cooked regional Italian specialties.

B,L,D—La Palma Hotel or similar

Day 5 • Stresa • Optional Treasures of Lake Orta tour

Enjoy today at leisure, or join an optional tour to discover the *Treasures of Lake Orta*, including a panoramic coach ride, a visit to one of the nine *Sacri Monti* chapels (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), and a boat ride to San Giulio Island. You'll return to Stresa in the late afternoon. Before dinner this evening, join a local expert for an **Exclusive Discovery Series** conversation about how Italian workers are crossing the border to find work in Switzerland. Later, enjoy a light *apericena* dinner.

B,D—La Palma Hotel or similar

Day 6 • Stresa • Visit Zermatt, Switzerland • Interlaken

This morning, you'll head to Interlaken, Switzerland, stopping at the Simplon Mountain Pass for a chance to take photographs. Then, board a train for a short ride to Zermatt, a high-altitude (about 5,300 feet) town perched on the

Alpine mountainside with clear views of the Matterhorn. Explore Zermatt on a walk with your Program Director before enjoying lunch on your own. You will arrive at your hotel in the early evening.

B—Metropole Hotel or similar

Day 7 • Interlaken • Switzerland Today discussion • Woodcarving museum

This morning, learn about modern Swiss life during an in-depth **Exclusive Discovery Series** conversation about *Switzerland Today*, followed by a walking tour of Interlaken, an idyllic Swiss Alpine town. Then, enjoy another **Exclusive Discovery Series** event during a demonstration at a local woodcarving workshop in Brienz to learn about one of Switzerland's heritage crafts.

B—Metropole Hotel or similar

Day 8 • Interlaken • Farm visit

This morning, discover Swiss bucolic life when you visit a local family at their farm in the scenic Brienzerland countryside during an **Exclusive Discovery Series** event. You'll also sample the flavors of a variety of freshly-prepared mountain cheeses and other farm products during an included lunch. Afterwards, return to Interlaken and enjoy the rest of the day at leisure.

B,L—Metropole Hotel or similar



Interlaken, Switzerland

Day 9 • Interlaken • Optional Bernese Oberland tour

Take today at your leisure to explore more of Interlaken, or join our optional Bernese Oberland tour to see glacial waterfalls and ride the *Jungfraubahn* train. Tonight, dinner is included at the hotel.

B,D—Metropole Hotel or similar

Day 10 • Interlaken • Visit Liechtenstein • Winery visit • Seefeld, Austria

Transfer to Seefeld, Austria, stopping on the way in the tiny landlocked nation of Liechtenstein, where you'll enjoy a walking tour of the capital, Vaduz, which was founded circa 1322. Visit a local winery for an **Exclusive Discovery Series** event where you'll enjoy a guided tour and a tasting of the local vintages. Then, you'll cross into Austria, arriving at your hotel in Seefeld in the early evening.

B,L,D—Hotel Eden

Day 11 • Seefeld • Optional Austrian Afternoon tour

Enjoy a walking tour of Seefeld and discover the Old World charm of this Tyrolean town founded as a farming settlement in 1022. Later, you can join our *Austrian*

Afternoon tour for a visit to Tratzberg Castle, a cruise of Achensee Lake and a Tyrolean-style supper in Scholastica. Otherwise, dinner is on your own tonight.

B—Hotel Eden

Day 12 • Seefeld • Explore Innsbruck

Travel by motorcoach to Innsbruck, the capital of Tyrol. Explore the Renaissance Ambras Castle and the Baroque Innsbruck Cathedral that looms over the central *Domplatz* (Cathedral Square) on a walking tour, followed by lunch at a local restaurant. Learn about the important roles played by the *Women of World War II* during an **Exclusive Discovery Series** conversation with a local expert this afternoon. You'll also have free time before returning to Seefeld.

B,L—Hotel Eden

Day 13 • Seefeld • Optional Bavaria tour

Today is yours to enjoy as you wish. Or join an optional tour to discover Bavaria, the largest state in Germany. Dinner is on your own tonight.

B,D—Hotel Eden

Day 14 • Seefeld • Mittenwald, Germany

Depart for an included tour of Mittenwald this morning, a Bavarian town known for its local instrument-making heritage, including lunch at a local restaurant, complete with traditional Tyrolean-style music. Return to Seefeld in the afternoon and spend the rest of the day as you please.

B,L—Hotel Eden

Day 15 • Seefeld • Munich, Germany

After breakfast, depart for Munich, Germany. Upon arrival, enjoy a discovery walk of the city with your Program Director. Dinner is included at a local restaurant.

B,D—NH Collection Munchen Bavaria or similar

Day 16 • Return to U.S.

This morning, transfer to the airport for your flight home. Or, join our optional post-trip extension to *Munich, Germany & Salzburg, Austria*.

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Palazzo Borromeo, Isola Bella, Italy

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