

PARIS, VENICE AND ACROSS EUROPE

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Restored vintage restaurant cars

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Grand Suites with lounge and marble bathroom

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Historic Cabins in each sleeping car

24-hour

Personal steward service for every cabin

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Cabins and suites



CLASSIC

Historic Cabin

8 per carriage · twin berths

- Banquette seating by day, upper and lower berths by night
- Washbasin cabinet and curated amenities
- Shared restrooms at the end of each sleeping car
- Original carriages, each with its own story

EN-SUITE

Suite

4 per carriage · double or twin

- Private marble en-suite bathroom with mosaic floor
- Bed converts to a lounge by day
- Themed on forests, mountains, countryside and lakes
- Art Deco-inspired fabrics and marquetry

SIGNATURE

Grand Suite

6 suites · separate lounge and bedroom

- Separate living area and sleeping area
- Marbled en-suite bathroom and luxury bathrobes
- Free-flowing champagne
- Named after cities such as Venice, Vienna, Prague and Istanbul

ONE OF A KIND

L'Observatoire

An entire private carriage

- Conceived with the artist JR
- Library-tearoom, lounge and bedroom
- Personalised service, from breakfast in bed to vinyl evenings
- Private transfers on some packages

Historic Cabins share restrooms at the end of each carriage; Suites, Grand Suites and L'Observatoire have private bathrooms.



Bar Car 3674

The social heart of the train is Bar Car 3674, an Art Nouveau-style lounge of mahogany, etched mirrors and brass, where a resident pianist plays the baby grand and classically trained barmen shake fresh cocktails. On many evenings a midnight brunch keeps the party going.

Every carriage has a past. One Grand Suite, Sleeping Car 3309, was marooned in a snowdrift for ten days, the incident that inspired Agatha Christie's most famous novel; another sleeping car carried King Carol out of Romania. A personal steward looks after your cabin day and night, and Wi-Fi reaches every cabin, though signal can drop in rural areas.

Dining on board

Dinner is the highlight of every journey, served in three restored vintage restaurant cars: Côte d'Azur with its celebrated Art Deco glass panels, Étoile du Nord with its storied marquetry, and L'Oriental with black lacquer panels. Menus by chef Jean Imbert use seasonal ingredients gathered along the route and are cooked in the compact onboard kitchen.

Expect a four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a French breakfast served in your cabin, and on most routes a three-course lunch and a French goûter. Formal evening attire is requested at dinner and many guests wear black tie; smart daywear suits the rest of the day, and jeans are not worn at any time.



Paris to Venice

2 days 1 nights **Paris to Venice**

The classic overnight run from the City of Light to the City of Water, with Swiss mountain views over breakfast and a gentle glide across the lagoon.

Board in Paris in the late afternoon, dress for dinner in the restored dining cars and spend the evening in the piano bar. Wake to the mountains and lakes of Switzerland, linger over lunch, and arrive in Venice across the lagoon late the following afternoon.

Route · Paris → Venice

- Board in Paris in the late afternoon
- Four-course dinner in the restored dining cars
- Cocktails and live piano in Bar Car 3674
- French breakfast in your cabin with Swiss Alpine views
- Three-course lunch and an afternoon French goûter
- Arrival across the Venetian Lagoon into Santa Lucia station

Day by day

Day 1 **Paris → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Step aboard in Paris and settle into your private cabin, all marquetry, rich fabrics and soft lamplight. Change for dinner in one of the elegant dining cars, where seasonal dishes are paired with fine wines. Afterwards, Bar Car 3674 hums with cocktails, conversation and the resident pianist.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 **Switzerland → Venice**

Your steward brings a French breakfast to the cabin as Switzerland's high peaks and glacial lakes slide past. Drop into the Bar Car or browse the boutique, then enjoy a leisurely three-course lunch. A French goûter is served as Venice draws near, and the train crosses the lagoon into Santa Lucia station.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Afternoon goûter

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfers from your Paris accommodation to the train and from the station to your Venice accommodation

Live dates, fares and online booking: www.luxurytrainvacations.com/train/venice-simplon-orient-express/paris-to-venice/

Paris to Venice via Florence or Rome

2 days 1 nights **Paris to Venice**

A longer, southern routing of the classic run to Venice, with the train passing through Florence or Rome before it crosses the lagoon in the evening.

This departure follows a southern path to Venice, passing through Florence or Rome on the way, and arrives in the evening rather than the afternoon. Expect champagne on boarding, dinner in the dining cars, a late-night

midnight brunch for night owls and a lazy day of Italian scenery.

Route · Paris → Venice

- Champagne in your cabin as you leave Paris
- Dinner shaped by chef Jean Imbert's seasonal menus
- Live piano, cocktails and a midnight brunch in Bar Car 3674
- French breakfast served in your cabin
- Route passing through Florence or Rome
- Evening arrival across the Venetian Lagoon

Day by day

Day 1 **Paris → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Board in Paris in the late afternoon and relax in your cabin with a glass of champagne. Dress up for dinner in the dining cars, where chef Jean Imbert's seasonal cooking is matched with exceptional wines. The Bar Car keeps going with piano and cocktails, and a midnight brunch awaits the late crowd.

Meals: Dinner · Midnight brunch

Day 2 **Florence or Rome → Venice**

Your steward serves a French breakfast in the cabin, then the Bar Car is the place to meet fellow travellers. After a leisurely three-course lunch the train may pause briefly in Florence or Rome before heading north. A French goûter precedes the crossing of the Venetian Lagoon into Santa Lucia station.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Afternoon goûter

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfers from your Paris accommodation to the train and from the station to your Venice accommodation

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JOURNEY 3 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Paris to Venice with Hotel Cipriani

4 days **3 nights** **Paris to Venice**

One night aboard the train from Paris, then two nights at Hotel Cipriani on Giudecca, with a Michelin-starred dinner and a taste of Venetian craft.

This three-night package pairs the original Paris to Venice route with a stay at Hotel Cipriani across the water from St Mark's. After a full day and night on board, a boat whisks you to the hotel for two nights of pool, gardens, a Venetian craft experience and dinner at the Michelin-starred ORO restaurant.

Route · Paris → Venice

- Champagne on boarding and lunch on the first day
- Gourmet dinner and live piano in Bar Car 3674
- Alpine and Dolomite views over breakfast and lunch
- Boat transfer from Santa Lucia station to Hotel Cipriani
- Visit to the city's last glass-mosaic furnace or a Bellini-making class
- Tasting-menu dinner at ORO, guided by Massimo Bottura and Vania Ghedini

Day by day

Day 1

Paris → overnight on board · Night: On board

Settle into your cabin with champagne as Paris falls away and the French countryside opens up. Lunch is served in a restored dining car, followed by pastries with tea or coffee in the cabin. In the evening, dress for a gourmet dinner of seasonal ingredients and fine wines, then unwind in Bar Car 3674 with live piano and cocktails.

Meals: Lunch · Afternoon pastries · Dinner

Day 2

Alps → Venice → Hotel Cipriani · Night: Hotel Cipriani, Venice

Wake to Alpine views with breakfast in your cabin, then glide past the Dolomites and over the lagoon after lunch on board. At Santa Lucia a boat takes you to Hotel Cipriani on Giudecca, home for two nights. Spend the afternoon by the pool, in the Casanova Gardens or at the spa; dinner tonight is at your own expense.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch

Day 3

Venice · Night: Hotel Cipriani, Venice

After breakfast overlooking the lagoon, choose an exclusive visit to Venice's last glass-mosaic furnace, or stay in for a Bellini-making class at Bar Gabbiano. In the evening, dine at the renovated ORO restaurant, where Massimo Bottura and head chef Vania Ghedini interpret Venetian flavours beside the water.

Meals: Breakfast · Dinner

Day 4

Venice

Enjoy a final breakfast and a last look across the lagoon before checking out at your leisure. A private transfer can take you to the station or Venice airport for your onward journey.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express and two nights at Hotel Cipriani on Giudecca Island
- Breakfast, lunch, dinner and sommelier-selected wines on board
- Transfer from Santa Lucia station to Hotel Cipriani, and a private transfer from the hotel to the station or Venice airport
- One hotel experience: a wellness treatment, an exclusive visit to the glass-mosaic furnace, or a Bellini-making class at Bar Gabbiano
- Breakfast, an aperitivo and one tasting-menu dinner with wine pairing at the Michelin-starred ORO restaurant

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JOURNEY 4 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Venice to Paris

2 days 1 nights **Venice to Paris**

The flagship route in reverse: a morning departure from Venice, the Dolomites over lunch, a glamorous dinner and a celebration breakfast before Paris.

Leave Venice from Santa Lucia station and spend a full day on board, lunching as the Dolomites and the Arlberg pass unfold. Dress for dinner, toast the night in the piano bar, and wake to a celebration breakfast in the restaurant car before arriving in Paris around midday.

Route · Venice → Paris

- Departure from Venice Santa Lucia station
- Three-course lunch with views of the Dolomites and the Arlberg
- French goûter served in your cabin
- Four-course dinner and live piano in the Bar Car
- Celebration breakfast in the restaurant car
- Arrival in Paris around midday

Day by day

Day 1 Venice → overnight on board · Night: On board

Board at Santa Lucia station and settle into your cabin of polished marquetry and soft lighting. A three-course lunch is served in a dining car as the Dolomites and the Arlberg route roll past. In the afternoon a French goûter arrives at your cabin; later, dress for dinner and round off the evening with cocktails and piano.

Meals: Lunch · Afternoon goûter · Dinner

Day 2 Paris

Take the morning slowly in your cabin, then make your way to the restaurant car for a celebration breakfast as the countryside rolls by. The train pulls into Paris around midday, ready for your onward plans.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Venice accommodation to the train

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JOURNEY 5 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Venice to Paris via Rome or Florence

2 days 1 nights Venice to Paris

An early start from Venice on a southern routing via Rome or Florence, with dramatic mountain scenery, Jean Imbert's cuisine and a midnight brunch.

This departure leaves Venice in the morning and travels by way of Rome or Florence, where on some dates you may be able to join the train instead. A full day of Italian countryside, lunch and goûter leads to aperitifs, dinner and a midnight brunch, with a celebration breakfast before Paris.

Route · Venice → Paris

- Morning departure from Venice Santa Lucia
- Routing via Rome or Florence, with the option to board there on some dates
- Three-course lunch through the Italian countryside
- Aperitifs in Bar Car 3674 and dinner by chef Jean Imbert
- Midnight brunch for late-night revellers
- Celebration breakfast in the restaurant car

Day by day

Day 1 **Venice → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Begin at Santa Lucia station and settle into a cabin of polished marquetry and antique light fittings. Lunch is served in the restored dining cars as the Italian countryside unfolds, followed by a French goûter. Dress for aperitifs in Bar Car 3674, then dinner of Jean Imbert's seasonal cuisine, live piano and a midnight brunch.

Meals: Lunch · Afternoon goûter · Dinner · Midnight brunch

Day 2 **Paris**

Head to the restaurant car when you are ready for a celebration breakfast of fresh coffee and pastries, watching the scenery change. The train then pulls into Paris for your onward adventures.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Venice accommodation to the train

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JOURNEY 6 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Paris to Verona

2 days 1 nights **Paris to Verona**

An overnight glide from Paris to the city of Romeo and Juliet, with Swiss lakes and the Gotthard route over breakfast and lunch.

Board the train's vintage carriages in Paris for champagne in the Bar Car and dinner by chef Jean Imbert. Next morning your steward brings breakfast as the train follows Switzerland's Gotthard route past mountains and lakes, and after lunch you step off in Verona in the afternoon.

Route · Paris → Verona

- Champagne or an aperitif in Bar Car 3674
- Dinner of Jean Imbert's regional cuisine with fine wines
- Signature cocktails and late-night piano
- French breakfast in your cabin on the Gotthard route
- Three-course lunch and a browse of the boutique
- Afternoon arrival in Verona

Day by day

Day 1 **Paris → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Board the carriages in Paris and take in their craftsmanship before settling into your cabin. Enjoy champagne or an aperitif in Bar Car 3674, then dine on chef Jean Imbert's regional cooking with fine wines. Afterwards the bar comes alive with signature cocktails and piano.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 Gotthard route → Verona

Your steward serves a French breakfast in your cabin as the mountains and lakes of Switzerland's Gotthard route pass by. Enjoy a three-course lunch in a dining car and browse the boutique for mementos. Then step off in Verona, the lively northern Italian city made famous by Romeo and Juliet.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Paris accommodation to the train

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Verona to Paris

2 days 1 nights Verona to Paris

Afternoon tea through the Italian countryside, a four-course dinner and a cabin turned cosy bedroom, arriving in Paris Gare de l'Est around midday.

Join the train in Verona around lunchtime and settle in with afternoon tea as Italy drifts by. Dinner is served in a restored restaurant car, the Bar Car beckons afterwards, and you wake to mountains and French countryside with breakfast in your cabin before arriving in Paris.

Route · Verona → Paris

- Boarding in Verona
- Afternoon tea in your cabin through the Italian countryside
- Four-course dinner in a vintage restaurant car
- Cocktails and stories in the Bar Car
- Continental breakfast served in your cabin at a time to suit
- Arrival at Paris Gare de l'Est

Day by day

Day 1 Verona → overnight on board · Night: On board

Meet the train in Verona and settle into your private cabin with afternoon tea as the Italian countryside slips past. As daylight fades, head to one of the vintage restaurant cars for a four-course dinner. Later, swap stories over cocktails in the Bar Car, then retire to a cabin made up as a cosy bedroom.

Meals: Afternoon tea · Dinner

Day 2 Paris

Wake to mountains and green French countryside. A continental breakfast is served in your cabin at a time that suits, with fresh coffee and pastries, before the train pulls into Paris Gare de l'Est.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Verona accommodation to the train

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JOURNEY 8 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Paris to Florence

2 days 1 nights **Paris to Florence**

An evening departure from Paris and a lazy morning of Italian scenery, arriving in the Renaissance city of Florence in the early afternoon.

Board in Paris in the early evening, dress for dinner in a dining car styled by chef Jean Imbert, and end the night with cocktails in the Bar Car. Breakfast arrives in your cabin with Italian scenery outside, followed by lunch and a browse of the boutique before Florence.

Route · Paris → Florence

- Evening boarding in Paris
- Dinner shaped by chef Jean Imbert's imagination
- Cocktails and conversation in Bar Car 3674
- French breakfast in your cabin with Italian views
- Lunch and the onboard boutique
- Early-afternoon arrival in Florence

Day by day

Day 1

Paris → overnight on board · Night: On board

Board in Paris and make yourself at home in your private cabin. Soon it is time to dress in your finest for dinner in one of the dining cars, where the setting and menus carry chef Jean Imbert's signature. Afterwards, cocktails and conversation await in Bar Car 3674.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2

Italy → Florence

Linger in your cabin over a French breakfast served by your steward, with Italian scenery framing the window. Enjoy lunch and browse the boutique for gifts and mementos. As the train pulls into Florence, take a last look at the interiors before stepping off.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Paris accommodation to the train

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Paris to Florence with Villa San Michele

4 days 3 nights **Paris to Florence**

A night aboard from Paris, then two nights at Villa San Michele, a former monastery in the hills of Fiesole above Florence.

This three-night package pairs a full day and night on the train with a stay at Villa San Michele in Fiesole. Expect champagne and lunch on board, a spa treatment and dinner with views over Florence at the villa, and a choice of a sound-healing session or a walking tour of the city's artisans.

Route · Paris → Florence

- Champagne, lunch and a gourmet dinner on board
- Live piano and cocktails in Bar Car 3674
- Two nights at Villa San Michele, a former monastery in Fiesole
- Sixty-minute spa treatment at the villa
- Sound healing in the Energy Chapel or 'The Art of Making' artisan walking tour
- Dinner at Ristorante San Michele overlooking Florence

Day by day

Day 1 **Paris → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Settle into your cabin with champagne as Paris fades and the French countryside unfolds. Lunch is served in a restored dining car, followed by pastries with tea or coffee in the cabin. In the evening, dress for a gourmet dinner with seasonal ingredients and fine wines, then relax in Bar Car 3674 with live piano and cocktails.

Meals: Lunch · Afternoon pastries · Dinner

Day 2 **Switzerland → Florence → Fiesole** · Night: Villa San Michele, Fiesole

Wake to rolling Swiss hills with breakfast in your cabin, then enjoy a leisurely morning and lunch on board. From Florence station a car takes you to Villa San Michele, a former monastery with reimagined rooms. Stroll the terraced gardens, swim in the panoramic pool or book a spa treatment, then take an aperitif in the gardens before dinner at Ristorante San Michele.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Dinner

Day 3 **Florence** · Night: Villa San Michele, Fiesole

After breakfast overlooking Florence, choose an hour of sound healing and meditation in the villa's Energy Chapel, or a three-hour walking tour, 'The Art of Making', among Florence's finest artisans, with transfers included. Dinner tonight is at your own expense, at the villa's other restaurants or in town on the concierge's advice.

Meals: Breakfast

Day 4 **Florence**

Take a final look at the sweeping panorama over breakfast before bidding farewell to the villa. Private transfers to Florence station or the airport can be arranged for your onward journey.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express and two nights at the newly renovated Villa San Michele
- Breakfast, lunch, dinner and sommelier-selected wines on board

- Car transfer from Florence station to the villa, and a private transfer to the station, city centre or airport when you leave
- A sixty-minute spa treatment, plus either a sixty-minute sound healing and meditation session or a tour of Florence's hidden ateliers
- Breakfast, an aperitivo in the Italian gardens and one dinner at Ristorante San Michele

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JOURNEY 10 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Florence to Paris

2 days 1 nights Florence to Paris

Swap Florence's artistic streets for the romance of Paris, beginning with a champagne and caviar welcome in your cabin.

Board in Florence in the afternoon to a champagne welcome with caviar, blinis and fruit in your cabin. Browse the boutique, enjoy a French goûter, then dress for aperitifs and dinner of Jean Imbert's seasonal cuisine. A celebration breakfast in the restaurant car precedes arrival in Paris.

Route · Florence → Paris

- Champagne welcome with caviar, blinis and fresh fruit
- French goûter and the onboard boutique
- Aperitifs in Bar Car 3674
- Dinner of Jean Imbert's seasonal cuisine
- Cocktails and live piano
- Celebration breakfast in the restaurant cars

Day by day

Day 1 Florence → overnight on board · Night: On board

Board the blue-and-gold carriages and enjoy a champagne welcome in your cabin with caviar, blinis and fresh fruit. Relax among the upholstery and marquetry, visit the boutique and try a French goûter. Later, dress for aperitifs in Bar Car 3674 and a dinner of Jean Imbert's seasonal cuisine, followed by cocktails and live piano.

Meals: Afternoon goûter · Dinner

Day 2 Paris

Unwind in your cabin, then head to the restaurant cars for an indulgent celebration breakfast. As the train pulls into Paris, take a last look around the interiors before stepping off.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Florence accommodation to the train

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Paris to the Amalfi Coast with Caruso

4 days 3 nights Paris to Ravello

Down through France and Italy to Pompeii, then two nights at Caruso in Ravello high above the Amalfi Coast.

A summer journey that traces both Rivas on the way south, leaving the train at Pompeii for a VIP tour of the ruins before two nights at Caruso, a palatial hotel in Ravello. Choose a boat trip to Positano or a painting lesson, and finish with a gala dinner in the hotel gardens.

Route · Paris → Pompeii

- Champagne, lunch and dinner on board from Paris
- Route along the French and Italian Rivas
- Privately guided VIP tour of Pompeii, or a cooking class at Caruso
- Two nights at Caruso, an eleventh-century palazzo in Ravello
- Boat tour to Positano or a painting lesson with a local artist
- Poolside evening and a gala dinner in the hotel gardens

Day by day

Day 1 Paris → overnight on board · Night: On board

Board in Paris in the morning and relax in your cabin with champagne as the train heads south through France. Lunch is served in a restored dining car, pastries with tea or coffee follow in your cabin, and the evening brings seasonal gourmet dining, live piano and cocktails in Bar Car 3674.

Meals: Lunch · Afternoon pastries · Dinner

Day 2 Italy → Pompeii → Ravello · Night: Caruso, Ravello

Wake to Italian views with breakfast in your cabin. After lunch on board, leave the train at Pompeii for a privately guided VIP tour of the ruins, or choose a bespoke cooking class at Caruso instead. In the evening, gather by the pool for artisan foods, wines and live music above the coast.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Dinner

Day 3 Amalfi Coast · Night: Caruso, Ravello

After breakfast overlooking the Mediterranean, choose a scenic boat tour to Positano, exploring hidden coves and caves with time to swim, or a painting lesson at Caruso with a local artist. The evening brings a gala dinner in the hotel gardens with live music and panoramic views.

Meals: Breakfast · Dinner

Day 4 Ravello

Take a last look at the views over breakfast, then depart at your leisure. Private transfers to Naples station or airport can be arranged for your onward travel.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express and two nights at Caruso in Ravello
- Breakfast, lunch, dinner and sommelier-selected wines on board
- Car transfers from Pompeii station to the archaeological site and on to Caruso, plus a private transfer to Naples station or airport
- Breakfast, an aperitivo, a formal dinner at Caruso Grill and a gala dinner with local producers and live cooking stations

- A private live music performance, a privately guided VIP tour of Pompeii or a bespoke cooking class, and a boat tour along the coast or painting lessons
- Grand Suite guests: an intimate visit to the Casa del Larario in Pompeii's Regio V

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JOURNEY 12 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Paris to Portofino with Splendido

4 days 3 nights Paris to Portofino

South through Dijon, Lyon and Avignon, along the Riviera past Cannes and Nice, then two nights at Splendido above Portofino's harbour.

Begin with a champagne reception in Paris and a night rolling south towards the Riviera. After breakfast past Cannes and Nice and lunch along the Ligurian coast, leave the train at Santa Margherita Ligure for two nights at Splendido, with a gala dinner on La Terrazza overlooking the Gulf of Tigullio.

Route · Paris → Santa Margherita Ligure

- Champagne reception on boarding in Paris
- Route through Dijon, Lyon and Avignon
- Breakfast past Cannes and Nice, lunch along the Ligurian coast
- Two nights at Splendido overlooking Portofino
- Tennis clinic, guided hike to the lighthouse or pizza masterclass
- Gala dinner with live music at La Terrazza

Day by day

- Day 1** Paris → Riviera, overnight on board · Night: On board

Board in Paris with a celebratory champagne reception and settle into your cabin. Pastries with tea or coffee are served as the train glides through Dijon, Lyon and Avignon toward the Riviera. In the evening, savour a gourmet dinner with fine wines, then enjoy live piano and cocktails in Bar Car 3674.

Meals: Afternoon pastries · Dinner
- Day 2** Cannes and Nice → Portofino · Night: Splendido, Portofino

Wake to southern French views with breakfast in your cabin, then travel past Cannes and Nice into Italy and along the coast by Genoa. After a three-course lunch, leave the train at Santa Margherita Ligure and transfer to Splendido. Relax by the pool or at the spa; dinner, cocktails and spa treatments tonight are at extra cost.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch
- Day 3** Portofino · Night: Splendido, Portofino

Breakfast on La Terrazza overlooking the bay, then try a tennis clinic, a guided hike to Portofino lighthouse or a pizza masterclass with the grill's chef. As evening falls, an aperitif precedes a gala dinner by chef Corrado Corti on La Terrazza, with live music and views over the Gulf of Tigullio. Lunch and extra activities are at extra cost.

Meals: Breakfast · Dinner

Day 4 Portofino

A final breakfast on La Terrazza, looking down at the yachts in the bay, and time for a last wander through the grounds before checking out and continuing your travels.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express and two nights at the reimagined Splendido in Portofino
- Breakfast, lunch, dinner and sommelier-selected wines on board
- Private transfer from your Paris accommodation to the station and a shared transfer from Santa Margherita Ligure to Splendido (private for Grand Suite and L'Observatoire guests)
- Complimentary shuttle between Splendido and Portofino's piazzetta
- Breakfast, a drinks reception and a gala dinner at La Terrazza
- Hotel experiences such as a tennis clinic, a guided hike to Portofino lighthouse or a pizza masterclass

Live dates, fares and online booking: www.luxurytrainvacations.com/train/venice-simplon-orient-express/paris-to-portofino/

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Paris to Budapest

2 days 1 nights Paris to Budapest

An afternoon departure from Paris, a night of fine dining and piano, then Alpine peaks and Hungarian countryside on the way to Budapest.

Board in Paris in the afternoon for dinner in a restored dining car and an evening around the baby grand in the Bar Car. The next day brings breakfast in your cabin, Alpine peaks and lakes over lunch, and pastries as the Hungarian plains lead you into Budapest in the evening.

Route · Paris → Budapest

- Afternoon boarding in Paris
- Dinner prepared on board with the freshest ingredients
- Baby grand piano in Bar Car 3674
- French breakfast in your cabin
- Alpine peaks and lakes over a three-course lunch
- Evening arrival in Budapest

Day by day

Day 1 Paris → overnight on board · Night: On board

Board in Paris and settle into your private cabin. Make your way to a restored dining car for a dinner prepared by the onboard chefs from the freshest ingredients. Afterwards, mingle in Bar Car 3674 as the pianist plays the baby grand, then return to find your cabin made up as a cosy bedroom.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 Alps → Budapest

Your steward serves a French breakfast in your cabin as the scenery unfolds. Alpine peaks, meadows and clear lakes accompany a leisurely three-course lunch, and the boutique is open in the afternoon. Pastries, tea and coffee are served as the Hungarian countryside glides by before arrival in Budapest.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Afternoon pastries

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Paris accommodation to the train

Live dates, fares and online booking: www.luxurytrainvacations.com/train/venice-simplon-orient-express/paris-to-budapest/

JOURNEY 14 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Budapest to Paris

2 days 1 nights **Budapest to Paris**

A morning departure from the Pearl of the Danube, a day of lunch, pastries and piano, and a leisurely breakfast before Paris Gare de l'Est.

Leave Budapest in the morning and enjoy lunch in a restored dining car as the views unfold. Pastries arrive in your cabin, live piano fills the Bar Car before a four-course dinner, and after a quiet continental breakfast the train draws into Paris Gare de l'Est the next morning.

Route · Budapest → Paris

- Morning departure from Budapest
- Lunch in a restored dining car
- Pastries served in your cabin
- Live piano in the Bar Car
- Four-course dinner in one of three restaurant cars
- Morning arrival at Paris Gare de l'Est

Day by day

Day 1 **Budapest → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Board in Budapest and enjoy a sumptuous lunch in a restored dining car as the scenery unfolds. Your steward later brings pastries to your cabin before you head to the Bar Car for live piano. After a four-course dinner, wander the carriages and retire to your cabin, now a cosy bedroom.

Meals: Lunch · Afternoon pastries · Dinner

Day 2 **Paris**

There is no rush this morning: enjoy a leisurely continental breakfast in your cabin and reflect on the journey. The train then pulls into Paris Gare de l'Est for your onward travels.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock

Live dates, fares and online booking: www.luxurytrainvacations.com/train/venice-simplon-orient-express/budapest-to-paris/

Paris to Vienna via Budapest

2 days 1 nights **Paris to Vienna**

An early-evening start from Paris, dinner in a hand-restored restaurant car, and a lazy brunch among Alpine scenery before Vienna.

Board in Paris with a glass of champagne and sit down to a four-course dinner prepared on board. The pianist plays on in the Bar Car, and next morning a tray of pastries, juice and coffee arrives at your cabin before a leisurely brunch among Alpine peaks and lakes on the way to Vienna.

Route · Paris → Vienna

- Champagne on boarding in Paris
- Four-course dinner in a hand-restored restaurant car
- Cocktails with the resident pianist
- Pastries, fresh juice and coffee in your cabin
- Leisurely brunch with Alpine views
- Afternoon arrival in Vienna

Day by day

Day 1 **Paris → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Board in Paris and settle into your private cabin with a glass of champagne. A four-course dinner, prepared on board, is served in one of the vintage restaurant cars. Later, enjoy a cocktail in the Bar Car as the pianist plays into the night, then retire to your cabin, now a cosy boudoir.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 **Alps → Vienna**

Your steward brings a tray of pastries, fresh juice and coffee to start the day. Alpine peaks, meadows and clear lakes pass by as you enjoy a leisurely brunch, and there is time to browse the boutique before arriving in Vienna.

Meals: Breakfast · Brunch

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Paris accommodation to the train

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Vienna to Paris via Budapest

2 days 1 nights **Vienna to Paris**

Leave the musical city in the afternoon for pastries, a four-course dinner by French chefs and piano in the Bar Car, arriving in Paris next morning.

Board in Vienna in the afternoon and watch the views from your cabin as your steward serves pastries. Dinner is four courses prepared by French chefs, the pianist holds court in Bar Car 3674 afterwards, and breakfast arrives

at a time to suit before the train reaches Paris in the morning.

Route · Vienna → Paris

- Afternoon boarding in Vienna
- Pastries served in your cabin
- Four-course dinner by the train's French chefs
- Resident pianist in Bar Car 3674
- Continental breakfast at a time to suit
- Morning arrival in Paris

Day by day

Day 1 **Vienna → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Board at Vienna station and settle into your cabin, taking in the views as your steward serves indulgent pastries. Later, sit down to a four-course dinner prepared by the train's French chefs. Linger in Bar Car 3674 with the resident pianist before retiring to your cabin, now a cosy bedroom.

Meals: Afternoon pastries · Dinner

Day 2 **Paris**

Your steward brings a continental breakfast at a time that suits you as the train heads west. Browse the boutique for gifts and mementos before stepping off in Paris.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock

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Paris to Prague

2 days 1 nights **Paris to Prague**

From Paris across Austria's forested hills into the Czech Republic, with Jean Imbert's dinner and a goûter before Prague.

Board the train's vintage carriages in Paris for champagne in the Bar Car and a dinner of chef Jean Imbert's regional cuisine. Next day, breakfast comes with Austria's forested hills and river valleys, lunch is unhurried, and a French goûter is served as you cross into the Czech Republic before arriving in Prague.

Route · Paris → Prague

- Champagne or an aperitif in Bar Car 3674
- Dinner of Jean Imbert's regional cuisine
- Late-night cocktails and piano
- Breakfast with Austria's forests and river valleys
- French goûter as you cross into the Czech Republic
- Early-evening arrival in Prague

Day by day

Day 1

Paris → overnight on board · Night: On board

Board in Paris and admire the craftsmanship of the vintage carriages before settling into your cabin. Enjoy champagne or an aperitif in Bar Car 3674, then dine on chef Jean Imbert's regional cooking with fine wines. Return to the bar for signature cocktails and piano.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2

Austria → Prague

Your steward serves a continental breakfast in your cabin as Austria's forested hills and broad river valleys pass by. After a leisurely three-course lunch you cross into the Czech Republic; browse the boutique or unwind with a French goûter before arriving in Prague.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Afternoon goûter

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Paris accommodation to the train

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JOURNEY 18 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Paris to Vienna via Prague

2 days 1 nights Paris to Vienna

An afternoon departure from Paris, dinner and the baby grand in the Bar Car, then pastries and an Alpine brunch before Vienna.

Board in Paris in the afternoon and watch the scenery from your cabin before dressing for dinner in a dining car. The resident pianist plays the baby grand in the Bar Car afterwards; next morning brings pastries in your cabin and a leisurely brunch among Alpine scenery before Vienna around lunchtime.

Route · Paris → Vienna

- Afternoon boarding in Paris
- An afternoon of scenery from your cabin
- Dinner in a vintage dining car
- Baby grand piano in Bar Car 3674
- Pastries, juice and coffee in your cabin
- Brunch with Alpine views before Vienna

Day by day

Day 1

Paris → overnight on board · Night: On board

Board the vintage carriages in Paris and spend the afternoon watching the scenery from your private cabin. Later, dress for dinner in one of the dining cars. Linger afterwards in Bar Car 3674, where the resident pianist plays the baby grand, before you retire for the night.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 Alps → Vienna

Your steward brings pastries, fresh juice and coffee to start the day. Alpine peaks, meadows and clear lakes slide by as you enjoy a leisurely brunch, and there is time to browse the boutique before arriving in Vienna.

Meals: Breakfast · Brunch

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from your Paris accommodation to the train

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JOURNEY 19 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Vienna to Paris via Prague

2 days 1 nights Vienna to Paris

Pastries on boarding in Vienna, a four-course dinner by French chefs, a nightcap in the Bar Car and a celebration breakfast before Paris.

Board in Vienna in the afternoon and settle in as pastries are served in your cabin. Dinner is a four-course meal prepared on board by French chefs, followed by a brandy or liqueur in the Bar Car. Next morning, head to the restaurant car for a celebration breakfast before arriving in Paris.

Route · Vienna → Paris

- Afternoon boarding in Vienna
- Pastries served in your cabin
- Four-course dinner by the train's French chefs
- A brandy or liqueur in the Bar Car
- Celebration breakfast in the restaurant car
- Morning arrival in Paris

Day by day

Day 1 Vienna → overnight on board · Night: On board

Board in Vienna, bound for Paris, and settle into your private cabin as pastries are served. Later, dress for a four-course dinner prepared on board by the train's French chefs. Afterwards, enjoy a brandy or liqueur in the convivial Bar Car before retiring.

Meals: Afternoon pastries · Dinner

Day 2 Paris

Unwind in your cabin, then head to the restaurant car for a celebration breakfast. All too soon it is time to step off in Paris.

Meals: Breakfast

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast

- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock

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Brussels to Verona

2 days 1 nights **Brussels to Verona**

Champagne as you leave Brussels, an evening of fine dining and piano, then Swiss mountains over breakfast on the way to Verona.

Board the vintage carriages in Brussels with a glass of champagne and spend a relaxed afternoon crossing Belgium. Dinner pairs chef Jean Imbert's seasonal dishes with fine wines, and next day Switzerland's mountains and lakes accompany breakfast and lunch before arrival in Verona.

Route · Brussels → Verona

- Champagne on boarding in Brussels
- Afternoon through the Belgian countryside
- Dinner of Jean Imbert's seasonal creations
- Piano and classic cocktails in Bar Car 3674
- French breakfast with Swiss mountains and lakes
- Afternoon arrival in Verona

Day by day

Day 1 **Brussels → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Board in Brussels and settle into your cabin with a glass of champagne, then relax as the train crosses Belgium. As evening falls, dress for dinner in a dining car, where chef Jean Imbert's seasonal creations are matched with fine wines. Later, unwind in Bar Car 3674 with piano and cocktails.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 **Switzerland → Verona**

Start the day with a French breakfast in your cabin, gazing at Switzerland's mountains and glacial lakes. Visit the Bar Car or the boutique, enjoy a leisurely three-course lunch, then relax as Italy's landscapes pass by. Step off in Verona, the setting of Romeo and Juliet.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock

Live dates, fares and online booking: www.luxurytrainvacations.com/train/venice-simplon-orient-express/brussels-to-verona/

Amsterdam to Venice

2 days 1 nights **Amsterdam to Venice**

From Amsterdam's canals to Venice's lagoon, with lunch through Belgium, the Gotthard route at breakfast and an evening arrival at Santa Lucia.

Board in Amsterdam late in the morning for a gourmet lunch and an afternoon of Belgian scenery with a French goûter. After dinner and piano in the Bar Car, wake to Switzerland's Gotthard route over breakfast, enjoy a second lunch, and cross the Venetian Lagoon into Santa Lucia in the evening.

Route · Amsterdam → Venice

- Late-morning boarding in Amsterdam
- Gourmet lunch through Belgium
- Dinner with fine wines and piano in Bar Car 3674
- French breakfast along the Gotthard route
- Three-course lunch and a French goûter
- Evening arrival across the Venetian Lagoon

Day by day

Day 1 **Amsterdam → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Board in Amsterdam and settle into your cabin of intricate marquetry and rich upholstery. A gourmet lunch is served in a restored dining car, then relax with the Belgian scenery and a French goûter in your cabin. As evening falls, dress for dinner with fine wines and unwind in Bar Car 3674 with piano and cocktails.

Meals: Lunch · Afternoon goûter · Dinner

Day 2 **Gotthard route → Venice**

Start the day with a French breakfast in your cabin as Switzerland's mountains and glacial lakes line the Gotthard route. Visit the Bar Car or the boutique, savour a leisurely three-course lunch and a French goûter, then watch the train cross the lagoon into Santa Lucia station.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Afternoon goûter

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from Santa Lucia station to your Venice accommodation

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Brussels to Venice

2 days 1 nights **Brussels to Venice**

A late-afternoon start in Brussels, Jean Imbert's dinner and piano by night, then Swiss mountains and an evening glide into Venice.

Board in Brussels in the late afternoon and spend a relaxed evening crossing Belgium before dinner of chef Jean Imbert's seasonal creations. The next day brings breakfast on the Gotthard route, lunch, a French goûter and an evening arrival across the Venetian Lagoon.

Route · Brussels → Venice

- Late-afternoon boarding in Brussels
- Belgian countryside from your cabin
- Dinner of Jean Imbert's seasonal creations
- Piano and cocktails in Bar Car 3674
- French breakfast along the Gotthard route
- Evening arrival at Santa Lucia station

Day by day

Day 1 **Brussels → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Board in Brussels and settle into your cabin, restored by some of Europe's finest craftspeople. Enjoy a relaxed afternoon of Belgian scenery, then dress for dinner in a dining car, where chef Jean Imbert's seasonal creations are paired with fine wines. Round off the night in Bar Car 3674 with piano and cocktails.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 **Gotthard route → Venice**

Start with a French breakfast in your cabin as Switzerland's mountains and lakes line the Gotthard route. Chat in the Bar Car or browse the boutique, enjoy a leisurely three-course lunch, then a French goûter in your cabin. The train crosses the lagoon into Santa Lucia station in the evening.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Afternoon goûter

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary transfer from the train to your Venice accommodation

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Amsterdam to Verona

2 days 1 nights **Amsterdam to Verona**

From Amsterdam's canals to Verona's piazzas, with lunch through Belgium, the Gotthard lakes at breakfast and an afternoon arrival in Italy.

Board the vintage carriages in Amsterdam late in the morning for a gourmet lunch and a French goûter as Belgium goes by. After dinner and piano, wake to the mountains and lakes of the Gotthard route, enjoy lunch in a dining car and arrive in Verona in the afternoon.

Route · Amsterdam → Verona

- Late-morning boarding in Amsterdam
- Gourmet lunch in a restored dining car
- French goûter through the Belgian countryside
- Dinner with fine wines and piano in Bar Car 3674
- French breakfast along the Gotthard route
- Afternoon arrival in Verona

Day by day

Day 1 **Amsterdam → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Board the vintage carriages in Amsterdam and settle into your cabin. Enjoy a gourmet lunch in a restored dining car, then take in the Belgian scenery with a French goûter in your cabin. As evening falls, dress for dinner with fine wines, followed by cocktails and piano in Bar Car 3674.

Meals: Lunch · Afternoon goûter · Dinner

Day 2 **Gotthard route → Verona**

Begin with a French breakfast in your cabin, looking out on Switzerland's mountains and the serene lakes of the Gotthard route. Enjoy a three-course lunch and browse the boutique, relax with pastries as Italy passes by, then step off in Verona, the setting of Romeo and Juliet.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Afternoon pastries

What is included

- One night aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express in your chosen cabin
- Four-course dinner with sommelier-selected wines, a three-course lunch and a French breakfast
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock

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JOURNEY 24 OF 25 · VENICE SIMPLON-ORIENT-EXPRESS

Paris to Istanbul

6 days 5 nights **Paris to Istanbul**

The legendary route across Europe to Istanbul, with nights in Budapest and Bucharest, a Danube dinner cruise and a visit to Peleş Castle.

Six days from Paris Gare de l'Est to Istanbul, with three nights on board and two in hotels. Highlights include a cocktail reception and dinner on the Danube in Budapest, a tour of the Hungarian Parliament, King Carol's fairytale Peleş Castle, an evening of music in Bucharest and an aperitif on a private estate near Varna.

Route · Paris → Budapest → Sinaia → Bucharest → Varna → Kapıkule → Istanbul

- Departure from Paris Gare de l'Est
- Cocktail reception and dinner cruise on the Danube in Budapest
- Guided Budapest sightseeing and the Hungarian Parliament Building
- Peleş Castle, King Carol's summer retreat in Sinaia
- Dinner with live music at a private venue in Bucharest
- Aperitif on a private estate near Varna on the Black Sea
- Arrival in Istanbul with a shared transfer to your hotel

Day by day

Day 1 **Paris → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Step aboard the blue-and-gold carriages at Paris Gare de l'Est and settle into your cabin as the train sets off for Istanbul. Enjoy dinner in a restored dining car with soft piano music, then cocktails in Bar Car 3674. Your cabin is made up for the night as the train crosses France and Germany.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2

Austria and Hungary → Budapest · Night: Hotel in Budapest

Your steward serves a continental breakfast in your cabin as the train winds through Austria into Hungary. After a three-course lunch you arrive in Budapest, where local guides escort you by coach to your hotel. The evening brings a cocktail reception and dinner on the River Danube.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Dinner

Day 3

Budapest · Night: On board

Explore historic Budapest with the guides before a lunch of Hungarian specialities, then take a guided tour of the grand Hungarian Parliament Building. Re-board the train and continue east, lingering over dinner as you travel towards Romania.

Meals: Lunch · Dinner

Day 4

Sinaia and Peleş Castle → Bucharest · Night: Hotel in Bucharest

Breakfast is served in your cabin as the train enters Romania, followed by brunch in the dining cars on the way to Sinaia. A coach takes you to Peleş Castle, King Carol's fairytale summer retreat, which early travellers on this route visited too. Rejoin the train for Bucharest, where guides take you to your hotel and dinner with live music at a private venue.

Meals: Breakfast · Brunch · Dinner

Day 5

Bulgaria → Varna · Night: On board

Back on board for the final leg, crossing the Danube south into Bulgaria. After lunch, stop at the seaside resort of Varna for an aperitif on a private estate. A last dinner follows as the train crosses the Thracian Plain, with a special drink and live piano to celebrate your final night.

Meals: Lunch · Dinner

Day 6

Kapıkule → Istanbul

A continental breakfast arrives in your cabin as the train heads for Turkey, pausing at Kapıkule for border formalities. Browse the boutique, then enjoy a lunch of Turkish flavours. The journey ends in Istanbul, with a complimentary shared transfer to your city-centre hotel.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch

What is included

- Three nights aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express
- A city tour in Budapest and Bucharest, a Danube cruise and a visit to Peleş Castle
- Four-course dinners with sommelier-selected wines, three-course lunches and breakfasts on board
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock
- Complimentary shared transfer from the train to your city-centre hotel in Istanbul

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Istanbul to Paris

6 days 5 nights **Istanbul to Paris**

From Istanbul's bazaars to the lights of Paris, with nights in Bucharest and Budapest, Peleş Castle, a Danube cruise and a champagne-house stop.

Six days westbound from Istanbul to Paris, with three nights on board and two in hotels. Enjoy an evening of music in Bucharest, King Carol's Peleş Castle in Sinaia, a panoramic Danube cruise and a feast of local specialities in Budapest, then a morning stroll at a celebrated champagne house before Paris.

Route · Istanbul → Bucharest → Sinaia → Budapest → Paris

- Departure from Istanbul aboard the blue-and-gold carriages
- Dinner with musical entertainment at a private venue in Bucharest
- Peleş Castle, King Carol's fairytale retreat in Sinaia
- Orientation tour and panoramic Danube cruise in Budapest
- Feast of local specialities at a private venue in Budapest
- Morning visit to a celebrated champagne house
- Farewell lunch before arrival in Paris

Day by day

Day 1 **Istanbul → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Step aboard the blue-and-gold carriages and settle into your cabin as the train sets off for Paris. Enjoy dinner in a restored dining car with soft piano music, then cocktails in Bar Car 3674. Your cabin is made up for the night as the train crosses into Bulgaria.

Meals: Dinner

Day 2 **Romania → Bucharest** · Night: Hotel in Bucharest

Your steward serves a continental breakfast in your cabin as the train heads into Romania. After lunch on board you arrive in Bucharest, where local guides take you by coach to your hotel. Dinner with musical entertainment is held at a private venue.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch · Dinner

Day 3 **Sinaia and Peleş Castle** · Night: On board

Rejoin the train for brunch in an elegant dining car on the way to Sinaia. A coach takes you to Peleş Castle, King Carol's fairytale summer retreat. Return to the train in the late afternoon for a leisurely run towards Hungary, with dinner and a night on board.

Meals: Brunch · Dinner

Day 4 **Budapest** · Night: Hotel in Budapest

On arrival in Budapest, take a short orientation coach tour followed by a panoramic cruise on the Danube. Reach your hotel after lunch, with free time to explore the city before an evening at a nearby private venue with a feast of local specialities.

Meals: Lunch · Dinner

Day 5 **Budapest → overnight on board** · Night: On board

Re-board the train in the late morning and linger over lunch as the Hungarian countryside glides by. A final celebratory dinner is served on your last night, and the pianist plays the baby grand as you raise a glass with fellow guests.

Meals: Lunch · Dinner

Day 6 **Champagne house → Paris**

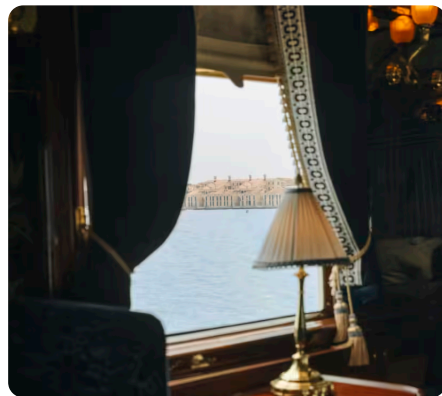
Enjoy a continental breakfast in your cabin as the train travels through Switzerland into France. Early in the day, step off for a stroll around a celebrated champagne house, then re-board for a farewell lunch before arrival in Paris.

Meals: Breakfast · Lunch

What is included

- Three nights aboard the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express
- A city tour in Bucharest and Budapest, a Danube cruise and a visit to Peleş Castle
- Four-course dinners with sommelier-selected wines, three-course lunches and breakfasts on board
- Dedicated personal steward service around the clock

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