

# London, Paris and Madrid

**Jun 5 - Jun 13, 2018**

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226108

**Depart From:**

Honolulu



## what's included



Round-Trip Flights



Daily Breakfast and Dinner  
(unless otherwise noted)



Centrally Located Hotels



24-Hour Tour Manager

- ✓ London Tour with Guide
- ✓ British Museum with Guide
- ✓ London-Paris Eurostar
- ✓ Paris Tour with Guide
- ✓ Seine Boat Ride
- ✓ Louvre

- ✓ Sketch Paris Neighborhood Tour
- ✓ Place du Tertre Dinner
- ✓ Two Paris Métro Round-Trip Tickets
- ✓ Paris-Madrid Flight
- ✓ Madrid Tour with Guide
- ✓ Prado Tour with Personal Headsets
- ✓ Madrid Tapas Evening

## our promise

In educational travel, every moment matters. Pushing the experience from "good enough" to exceptional is what we do every day. Our mission is to empower educators to introduce their students to the world beyond the classroom and inspire the next generation of global citizens. *Travel changes lives.*

## cultural connections



**HIGHLIGHTS** waiting to happen

### Sketch Paris Neighborhood Tour

Discover a corner of Paris like the artists it inspires, sketching its sights and buildings with expert instruction as you learn their history.

### Madrid Tapas Evening

Savor the culture of Spanish cuisine as you dine like a local on tapas specialties such as traditional cheeses, jamón or tortilla española.

"Our tour guide was phenomenal; he went above and beyond my expectations. His knowledge of the area and the history behind it was most impressive."

**Matthew L. Participant**



## trip itinerary - 9 days

### Jun 5, 2018: Overnight Flight

Depart from the USA.

### Jun 6, 2018: London

Welcome to London! Meet your ACIS Tour Manager, relax, unpack and begin to explore the city's unique neighborhoods. Perhaps check out the street markets along Portobello Road in Notting Hill; explore the paths of Hyde Park or the mansions of nearby Belgravia; visit museums in South Kensington; or stroll along the artsy South Bank. (D)

### Jun 7, 2018: London

This morning, learn about London's majestic past and fast-paced present on your guided panoramic bus tour to busy Trafalgar Square, the Houses of Parliament, and Whitehall. Along the way, our guide will point out more modern landmarks like the Gherkin, the Shard, and the Cheese Grater – all new buildings changing the London skyline. Then your guide takes you through the immense British Museum, home to an impressive collection of cultural artifacts, including the Rosetta Stone and sculptural friezes from the Parthenon. A traditional English fish and chips dinner will give you the fuel you need for an engaging evening walk through Covent Garden and the lively West End. (B,D)

### Jun 8, 2018: Paris

We use the Eurostar high-speed train to zip underneath the English Channel and on to Paris, known as the "City of Light" for its role as a center of education and culture during the Enlightenment. During the afternoon, a local expert brings you to the very best place to get your picture in front of the Eiffel Tower, shows you the monumental Arc de Triomphe, points out the massive Les Invalides (where Napoleon is buried) and helps decode the Gothic façade of Notre Dame. You'll have time to discover your own favorite neighborhood café before tonight's illuminated boat ride along the Seine. (B,D)

### Jun 9, 2018: Paris

We start our day exploring the Louvre and discover the many famous masterpieces that call it home. See the Mona Lisa, the Winged Victory and the Venus de Milo as you wander through the galleries. From its beginnings as a royal fortress to its current status as the world's most visited art museum, the Louvre has long been at the center of Parisian culture and home to a collection of 35,000 works of art from around the world. You'll then have a chance to try your own hand on our Sketch Paris walking tour of Montmartre. An artist will show you the interesting historical highlights of this unique neighborhood, then help you bring them to life via sketching lessons. Voila! An artist is born! You may even dine with some real artists this evening at an authentic French dinner on the Place du Tertre. This square at the heart of Montmartre is known for its artists of all types and has been home to famous painters including Picasso. (B,D)



### Jun 10, 2018: Madrid

This morning is free for you to embrace your version of the "City of Light." Perhaps visit the Impressionist works of the Musée d'Orsay or descend into the Catacombs where more than six million 18th century Parisians are buried. Then board your flight to Madrid, Spain's bustling capital city in the center of the country. We introduce you to the city's elegant boulevards with an evening stroll to see the artists and street performers in the Plaza Mayor. (B,D)

### Jun 11, 2018: Madrid

Madrid's rich heritage comes alive on your guided sightseeing tour of classic Spanish boulevards, grand plazas, and the diverse architecture of modern-day Madrid. Highlights include the Plaza de España with its statue of Don Quixote, the majestic Alcalá Gate, and the famous bullring Las Ventas. Then visit the magnificent Prado (skipping the lines with a timed reservation), one of the world's premier art museums. Here, an expert provides illuminating commentary via personal headsets on the artwork of Velázquez, Goya, Raphael, Rubens, and Bosch. Even the 18th-century Neo-Classical building that houses the collection is stunning. Tonight, we'll have a tapas evening in true Spanish style: you try different local specialties as you sidle up next to the madrileños for whom this is a culturally important and typical way to spend an evening. Classic tapas dishes include items such as tortilla española, patatas bravas, bacalao, cheeses, olives or jamón. (B,D)

### Jun 12, 2018: Madrid

You may opt to take a half-day excursion to nearby Toledo, the city where the world-famous artist El Greco made his home and created his most famous works. Toledo offers a rich mix of cultures, thanks to a unique blend of Christian, Jewish and Muslim heritages. If you elect to stay in Madrid, you may wish to visit the Reina Sofia, rent a rowboat on the lake in Retiro Park or tour the Royal Palace. After dinner, you'll have time in the Plaza Mayor to soak up the scene with the locals. (B,D)

### Jun 13, 2018: Departure

Depart for the USA. Optional Extensions and Extra Nights:

Further immerse yourself in the culture and wonders of cosmopolitan Spain with an extra night in Madrid, including the services of your ACIS Tour Manager. (B)

*This is a preliminary itinerary for your group.*



## learning objectives

1. Students will compare the experiences of monarchy in France and Britain.
2. Students will learn about the development of the City of London from Roman trading post to modern financial capital.
3. Students will become acquainted with the overall structure and major periods of Spanish history including, for example, the medieval era, the Habsburg epoch, and the reign of the Bourbons.

## tour cost

### Participant Fees

Program Fee	\$5063
Early Registration Discount	-\$300

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Total Participant Fees <sup>2</sup>	\$4763
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<sup>2</sup> Valid through 06/01/17 with \$200 deposit.

### Additional Fees (as applicable)

Adult Surcharge	\$95
Single Room Supplement	\$665
Double Room Supplement	\$315
Ultimate Protection Plan	\$270
Comprehensive Protection Plan	\$225
Half-day Excursion to Toledo with Sightseeing	\$95

## notes from acis

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Can travel make a difference in students' futures? It certainly can and does every single day. In fact, we surveyed 930 former ACIS travelers to see how their tours abroad as young adults influenced their choices in education and paved a way for future careers. Many of them credit travel as a defining moment in their adolescence, and below is a recap of our findings.

## education



**81%**

of those that traveled in middle school or high school continued their studies at the college level compared to the national average of 68%



**37%**

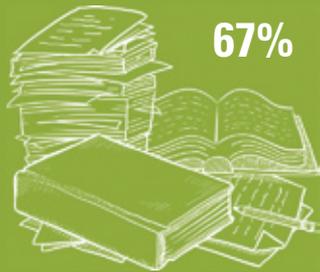
of travelers, who went on to college said their travel experience influenced their field of study.



**57%**

of respondents were motivated to study abroad during college.

## language skills



**67%**

of students continued to study foreign language in college.



**73%**

of ACIS travelers say they speak one foreign language fairly well compared with 18% of the American population.



## personal development



**94%** felt more independent after their trip.

**78%** saw an increase in their problem solving skills.

**92%** noted improvement in their interpersonal skills.



**65%**

have traveled overseas again since their ACIS trip.

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