

2025 Edition 1



# **Short Breaks & Holidays**







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# Welcome to our European Holidays

Since re-launching Leisuretime by Toureasy in 2022, we have focused on building our increasingly popular UK programme of day trips, short breaks and holidays. Recently, though, more and more of you have been asking us about a return to a more extensive range of holidays to Europe - and this brochure is our answer...

Over the last few months, we have pulled out all the stops to create a holiday programme for 2025 that we hope you will love. Unsurprisingly, this means we have chosen to focus on the destinations and types of holidays that you have been asking for and we really hope that we have got it right.

In deciding which trips to offer you, we have created holidays that:

Take you to destinations that we know you have been asking us for. Feature hotels in great locations that really 'work' for your holiday itinerary. Deliver a fabulous overall holiday experience, often through great added value extras and inclusions.

Needless to say, we have also made sure that all our European holidays come with our usual great value price tag, backed up by our **Leisuretime Price Promise**\*, so that you can be confident that you can't buy better elsewhere.

So, thank you to everyone who has helped us put this new holiday programme together and we hope you enjoy it. **Bon voyage!** 

Your Leisuretime Team

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# A Taste of France - Boulogne & Le Touquet

# Join us for this wonderful weekend break in the pretty seaside port town of Boulogne.

Wander through the weekly Saturday market, which is full of fresh local produce or join us for our included excursion to the iconic beach resort of Le Touquet, aka 'Paris by the sea' On your way home, we'll make sure you get time to visit one of the excellent French hypermarkets to stock up on beer, wine and more along with anything else you fancy - allowances permitting!

# A Taste of France with Christmas Markets

Join us on these two festive weekends to explore Boulogne and Le Touquet Christmas Markets.



**Priced at just £219,** departures are on the 5th and 12th of December for 3 days on a bed & breakfast basis, staying at the B&B Hotel Boulogne Centre les Ports.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & buffet breakfast
- Free time in Boulogne
- Excursion to Le Touquet
- Visit to a French hypermarket

### B&B Hotel Boulogne-sur-Mer Les Ports



B&B Hotel Boulogne-sur-Mer Les Ports Hotel is the perfect base for our weekend away. Located in the heart of Boulognesur-Mer, this modern hotel offers easy access to key attractions, including Nausicaá Sea Centre and the historic old town. Guests will enjoy cosy, wellequipped rooms, free Wi-Fi, and a friendly atmosphere. Start your day with a breakfast buffet and unwind at the hotel's stylish bar after a day of exploration.

### **COACH HOLIDAYS MADE EASY**



# Paris Weekend with Versailles

Enjoy a wonderful weekend in one of the most romantic cities on earth. You'll stay in the excellent Mercure La Défense which offers quick and easy access into the heart of this great city.

You can choose to spend the entire weekend exploring Paris or join us on excursion to magical Versailles. You also have the option of joining us for a visit to Giverny home to the worldfamous Monet's Garden. This excursion is not included in our tour price but can be added at the time of booking, so please do let us know then if you would like to join this trip. The exact price for this excursion will be confirmed at the time of booking.

# **Tall Ships Race Dunkirk**

Experience the excitement of Tall Ships, combined with free time in Lille, staying at the excellent Novotel Lille Centre Gare.



Departs 11 July 2025 for 4 days, Just £299 including breakfast, accommodation and transfers.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 3 nights bed and buffet breakfast
- Free time to explore at your leisure
- Excursion to Versailles (Palace entrance not included)
- Optional excursion to Giverny for Monet's Garden (extra charge applies)

### Mercure La Défense 4\*



The 4\* Mercure La Défense Hotel is an ideal choice for our weekend away. Located in the dynamic La Défense district, the hotel offers modern, comfortable rooms with stunning views of the city skyline. Guests enjoy easy access to iconic attractions like the Eiffel Tower and Champs-Élysées, thanks to excellent public transport links nearby. The hotel features a fitness centre, free Wi-Fi, and a stylish restaurant serving delicious French cuisine. After a day of sightseeing, relax at the rooftop bar with panoramic views. With its prime location and superb amenities, Mercure La Défense guarantees a memorable stay.

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# **Rouen,** Monet's Garden & Normandy Seaside Towns

# Join us on this wonderful long weekend to Normandy, staying in the beautiful French city of Rouen.

Steeped in medieval history, Rouen boasts stunning architecture, including the awe-inspiring Rouen Cathedral, immortalized by Monet. Speaking of whom, you will also have the opportunity to visit Monet's world-famous Garden along with the pretty seaside towns of Deauville, Trouville & Honfleur.



### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 3 nights bed and continental buffet breakfast
- Free time in Rouen
- Day excursion to Deauville, Trouville & Honfleur
- Excursion to Giverny & entrance to Monet's Garden

### Ibis Hotel Rouen Champ de Mars



Experience the perfect blend of comfort and convenience at Ibis Rouen Centre Champ de Mars. Located just a short walk from the heart of Rouen, this modern hotel offers cosy, well-appointed rooms and delicious breakfasts. Unwind at the hotel's bar or enjoy a stroll along the picturesque Seine River. With friendly staff and excellent service, your stay promises to be delightful.

### **Festive Normandy** - Rouen Christmas Market with Deauville & Honfleur Special

Come and enjoy the magic of France at Christmas time!

This 4-day festive weekend **departs on the 28th of November and is priced at just £329**. You'll get lots of time in Rouen to enjoy the Christmas Market and we'll also take you to explore the pretty towns of Deauville & Honfleur.



### **EASY TO JOIN - TRAVEL DIRECT**



# AUSTRIA Little Trains of Austria, the Tyrol & Salzburg

Experience the majestic and enchanting mountain landscapes of Austria's Tyrol region. The stunning scenery and snowcapped peaks are legendary and on this tour we will show you why...

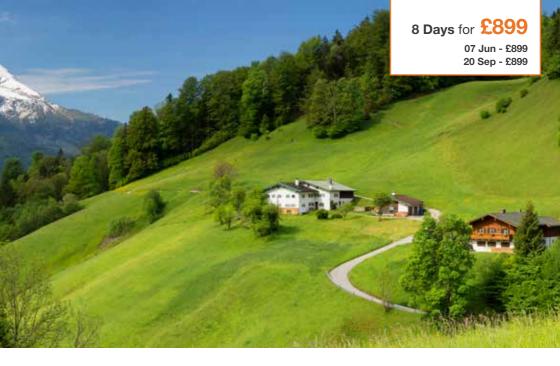
Your base for this holiday is the picturesque mountain village of Söll, nestled between imposing mountain peaks and offering an ideal location from which to explore. Our hotel in Söll is the excellent 4\* Hotel Tyrol, run for generations by the Schernthanner family, who will not only welcome you but also show you around the village of Söll to help you get your bearings. Our Sean has known Josef Schernthanner for over 20 years and so you are guaranteed a great welcome!

We also hope that our INCLUDED excursions will leave you with fabulous memories as we visit Mozart's hometown of Salzburg, travel on the dramatic Pinzgau Narrow Gauge Railway, bask in the wonder of the Krimml Waterfalls and take a cruise on the spectacular Achensee.











### Hotel Tyrol \*\*\*\*

# The Tyrol Hotel in Söll, Austria, offers a warm and welcoming retreat in the heart of the Austrian Alps.

This charming hotel features cosy, alpine-style rooms with modern amenities, ensuring a comfortable stay. Guests can enjoy delicious local cuisine at the on-site restaurant and relax in the bar or lounge area. The hotel boasts a wellness centre with a sauna and hot tub, perfect for unwinding after a day of exploring. Its prime location provides easy access to the village and the friendly Schernthanner family will do everything to ensure that you enjoy a fabulous stay.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & breakfast at overnight hotels
- 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast in Austria
- Welcome evening with cocktail in Austria, Austrian evening & live music evening
- 4-course evening meals with salad and starter buffet
- Use of sauna, steam bath and infrared cabin (three times a week), heated indoor and outdoor swimming pools
- Excursion to Salzburg
- Cruise on Achensee, ride on the Achenseebahn & visit to Rattenberg
- Ride on the Pinzgau Narrow Gauge Railway & Krimml Falls
- Guided walk of the village
- All rooms with balcony





# **GERMANY** Treasures of the Rhine & Moselle

Discover the beauty of the Rhine & Moselle Valley, renowned for their stunning scenery. Together, they offer some of the most magical river landscapes in Europe, a land of enchanting historic towns, magnificent castles, and wonderful half-timbered houses snuggled along vineclad banks and steep valley sides.

Our base is the pretty town of Rudesheim, situated on the banks of the Rhine with its crooked narrow streets, medieval houses, riverside cafes, colourful boutiques and the famous Drosselgasse - a street packed with lively Klosterkellers and Weinkellers.

Ride the cable car up into the vineyards steeped high above the town (small charge applies) or just spend the time wandering Rudesheim's pretty streets.

You will see some breath-taking scenery and natural beauty along the Rhine and Moselle rivers. You'll go to picturesque Cochem and take a cruise along the magical Moselle to Beilstein. You also visit Limburg an der Lahn, which one of Germany's prettiest and best presereved old towns. To top it all, you'll have free time to explore georgeous Rudesheim and take a river cruise where you'll see castles and scenery galore!









### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & breakfast at overnight hotels
- 3 nights dinner, bed & breakfast in Germany
- Free time in Rudesheim
- Visit to Cochem
- Excursion to Limburg
- Castles of the Rhine Cruise from Rudesheim
- Cruise on the Moselle from Cochem-Beilstein



### **Hotel Lindenwirt**

This charming and traditionally decorated 3-star hotel is situated a few steps from the Rhine, on the famous Drosselgasse.

This family-run hotel is built around a courtyard, featuring huge original wine casks and has a warm and welcoming atmosphere. All 90 ensuite bedrooms are individuall decorated (some bedrooms are accessed via open-air corridors that face the courtyard).

The restaurant is spacious with large windows overlooking the Drosselgasse and summer evenings can be spent on the large terrace/ beer garden where local bands play.

### **EASY TO ASK - A REALLY FRIENDLY TEAM**



# ITALY The Best of Tuscany & Florence

We are excited to bring you this fabulous holiday to Tuscany, one of Italy's most loved and spectacular regions. Enjoy the rolling landscapes of Europe as you journey down to Tuscany on one of our comfortable and air conditioned coaches. You'll be staying in the heart of the pretty spa town of Montecatini Terme at the delightful 4\* Tuscany Inn.

During your time in Tuscany, you will have lots of time to relax and explore Montecatini on your own whilst having the opportunity to join us on local excursions to visit some of the best that Tuscany has to offer. This includes trips to the stunning city of Florence, Pisa (famous for it's leaning tower!) and the medieval towns of Lucca, San Gimgiano and Volterra. To add to your enjoyment of these fabulous excursions, you will be joined by a knowledgeable local guide who will help you get the most from your visits.







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NB: The hilltop location of a number of our excursion destinations means that not all excursions will be suitable for those with limited mobility. NB: Italian Tourist Tax is charged locally at the hotel and is payable by all tourists in Italy at approx 1.5 Euros per person per night. This rate is subject to change.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & breakfast at outbound overnight hotels
- 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast in Italy
- 1 night bed & breakfast on return overnight hotel
- Welcome Drink on arrival in Montecatini
- Full day guided excursion to Florence
- Full day guided excursion to Pisa and Lucca
- Full day guided excursion to San Gimignano & Volterra
- Walking tours of Florence and Lucca
- Visit to an alabaster workshop in Volterra



### Tuscany Inn \*\*\*\*

The Tuscany Inn in Montecatini Terme offers a delightful stay in the heart of Tuscany. This modern hotel features spacious, comfortable rooms with contemporary decor and amenities.

Guests can enjoy stunning panoramic views of Montecatini from the rooftop terrace, perfect for relaxing with a drink. The on-site restaurant serves delicious Tuscan cuisine, and the hotel provides easy access to the town's renowned thermal spas, elegant shops, and vibrant cafes. With its friendly staff, excellent service, and convenient location, the Tuscany Inn is an ideal base for exploring the charming town and surrounding Tuscan countryside.

### EASY TO ASK - A REALLY FRIENDLY TEAM



# **ITALY** Dramatic Dolomites & Italian Lakes

# Our love of Italy keeps growing and this stunning holiday is packed full of great inclusions.

You'll stay in the beautiful 4\* family-run Alle Dolomite Boutique Hotel just a stone's throw away from the shores of beautiful Lake Molveno. Set amidst a truly dramatic Alpine backdrop (and a recognised UNESCO World Heritage site), Lake Molveno is considered by many to be Italy's most beautiful lake - and who are we to disagree?

Lake Molveno is nestled in the heart of the Brenta Dolomites in Trentino. Known for its crystal-clear waters and stunning alpine backdrop, Lake Molveno offers a tranquil escape and the lake's pristine beaches and grassy shores are perfect for sunbathing and picnics. Our base is the charming village of Molveno, where you can enjoy traditional Italian cuisine in cozy trattorias and browse local artisan shops.

With its combination of natural beauty, outdoor activities, and cultural charm, Lake Molveno is an idyllic base for a memorable holiday in the Italian Alps.

In addition to the fabulous hospitality that the Rapacchi-Sartori family will show you in Molveno, you'll journey south through the ancient Tenno Valley to world-famous Lake Garda and the lakeside town of Riva del Garda. You'll also visit beautiful Bolzano which is very Austrian in history, architecture, scenery and even its language. On your excursion through







the Italian Dolomites, you'll witness amazing scenery, stop at the historic town of Trento, and take the 'Castles Train' for a unique view of picture-perfect scenes and towns known for their medieval castles.



### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & breakfast at overnight hotels
- 5 nights dinner, bed & breakfast on Lake Molveno
- Free time to explore Molveno
- Welcome drink in Italy
- Candlelit dinner in Italy on one night with piano music
- Afternoon tea & biscuits daily in Italy
- Local Dolomiti Discount Card
- Excursions to Riva del Garda, Bolzano in the South Tyrol and Scenic tour of Dolomites with Trento and the 'Castles Train'
- Italian Tourist Tax



### Alle Dolomite Boutique Hotel \*\*\*\*

Welcome to the delightful family-run Alle Dolomiti Boutique Hotel in Molveno, a charming retreat nestled in the Italian Alps.

Enjoy luxurious accommodation with stunning views of Lake Molveno and the Brenta Dolomites. Relax in elegantly designed rooms, savour gourmet cuisine at the hotel's restaurant, and unwind in the serene wellness area.

With easy access to outdoor activities and the picturesque village of Molveno, the Alle Dolomiti Boutique Hotel promises an unforgettable alpine getaway.

### **COACH HOLIDAYS MADE EASY**



# **ITALY** Spectacular Lake Garda, Venice & Verona

Enjoy the rolling landscapes of Europe as you journey down to northern Italy on one of our comfortable and air conditioned coaches. Once in Lake Garda, you will stay at the stunning 4\* Hotel Splendid Sole in Manerba, on the western side of the lake.

Equipped with 2 pools and spa whilst also being renowned for its delicious food, the Splendid Hotel really is a splendid choice as a base for this holiday.

During your time in Northern Italy, you will have lots of time to relax and explore on your own whilst having the opportunity to join us on local excursions to visit the lakeside towns of Malcesine, Riva del Garda and historic Sirmione.

We'll also take you to Verona for a fabulous day of sightseeing in one of Italy's most beautiful cities along with one of Europe's most romantic cities, Venice.



NB: Italian Tourist Tax is charged locally at the hotel and is payable by all tourists in Italy at approx 1.5 Euros per person per night. This rate is subject to change.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & breakfast at overnight hotels
- 6 nights dinner, bed & breakfast in Italy
- Welcome drink on arrival in Lake Garda
- Gala dinner at the Hotel Splendid
- Free use of outdoor pool. Access to indoor pool & spa at extra charge
- Free time to explore Manerba
- Full day excursions to Venice & Verona
  Sirmione, Malcesine & Riva Del Garda
- full day excursion

### Hotel Splendid Sole \*\*\*\*



This delightful 4\* hotel is set in a stunning location in the town of Manerba del Garda. The hotel has a delightful outdoor swimming pool and terrace for guests to use along with an indoor pool and spa (additional charges apply). The hotel restaurant is well known for its excellent cuisine and they are proud to make their own bread - which means breakfast is a true delight. All of the rooms are well furnished as you would expect, with balconies and air conditioning available in all rooms.

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# The Glamour of the French & Italian Riviera

The French and Italian Rivieras are famous for their romance and glamour and this delightful holiday takes you to some of the most famous and interesting locations along this pretty stretch of the Mediterranean coast.

Your carefully chosen hotel is located in the pretty Italian town of Sant Bartolomeo, a perfect base to explore the Italian and French Riviera. Nestled on the Ligurian coast, this charming town combines serene beaches with a great Riviera vibe.

This late summer special is jam packed with fabulous excursions and added value extras at a price that is sure to please.



### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & breakfast at overnight hotels on the outbound and return journey
- 5 nights dinner and breakfast in Italy
- Excursion to Nice & Cannes with local guide
- Excursion to San Remo and Dolceacqua with local guide
- Excursion to Genoa & ride on the Appenine Express train with local guide
- Excursion to Menton & Monte Carlo with local guide
- 1 x regional product tasting at a local farmhouse
- 1 x visit to the iconic Fragonard perfume house in Eze

NB: Italian Tourist Tax is charged locally at the hotel and is payable by all tourists in Italy at approx 1.5 Euros per person per night. This rate is subject to change.



### **Bergamo Mare Hotel**

In our opinion, this hotel is a fantastic holiday choice, offering comfortable yet compact rooms with a warm, welcoming atmosphere.

The real joy of this hotel, though, is in its location, just a short walk from Sant Bartolomeo's beautiful beaches, lively promenade, and vibrant markets.

Whether you choose to enjoy some local Ligurian cuisine at nearby restaurants or explore the town's picturesque streets, the hotel's central location makes it an absolute winner.

### EASY TO STAY IN TOUCH - E-MAILS, SOCIAL OR BY POST



# SPAIN Costa Brava & Roses

Situated in the beautiful north-east corner of Spain, discover the Costa Brava with its seaside towns, mountain scenery and sparkling waters.

Our holiday base is the sunny beachside resort town of Roses, a charming old fishing village overlooking the Bay of Roses and perfectly positioned for an excellent value summer holiday by the Mediterranean Sea with loads of great excursions included. The resort is relaxed and friendly and has retained an historic 'old town' - picturesque by day, atmospheric during the evenings.





### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & breakfast at overnight hotels on the outbound and return journey
- 6 nights dinner and breakfast in Roses
- Welcome sangria & 1/4 bottle wine and water with meals every evening
- Evening entertainment
- Excursions to Barcelona, Figueres, Cadaques and Besalu

### Victoria Hotel Spa Elit \*\*\*Sup



This 3-star superior hotel enjoys a fantastic setting right on the beach front, with direct access to the sandy beach and sparkling sea. All ensuite bedrooms have a balcony or terrace, air-conditioning, satellite TV and hairdryer. The hotel has a lovely outdoor pool and a pleasant garden area where guests can relax and enjoy views of the Costa Brava. There is a good restaurant and bar, and plenty of indoor and outdoor seating to suit all guests. There is also a spa with an indoor pool, whirlpool bath, sauna, gym and beauty treatments (charges apply).

Tourist Tax is charged locally at the hotels and is payable directly by all tourists at approx 1 Euro per person per night.



# SPAIN Costa Brava - Lloret de Mar

Lloret de Mar on the Costa Brava is a vibrant destination loved for its stunning beaches, lively atmosphere, and rich history.

Visitors flock here for sun-soaked days on golden sands and crystal-clear Mediterranean waters, perfect for swimming and water sports. The town's historic sites, such as the Santa Clotilde Gardens and the charming old town, add a cultural touch. With bustling nightlife, delicious Catalan cuisine, and a welcoming vibe, Lloret de Mar offers something for everyone, making it a favourite coastal retreat and a great base for our included excursions.





### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & breakfast at overnight hotels on the outbound and return journey
- 5 nights dinner and breakfast in Lloret de Mar
- Welcome sangria & 1/2 bottle wine and water with meals every evening
- Evening entertainment
- Excursions to Barcelona, Girona & Tossa del Mar

### L'Azure Hotel \*\*\*\*



The L'Azure Hotel in Lloret de Mar is a contemporary haven, offering a perfect blend of luxury and relaxation. Known for its chic design and exceptional amenities, it features elegant rooms, a rooftop pool with breathtaking views, and a wellness spa for ultimate rejuvenation. Guests can enjoy a variety of dining options, from Mediterranean cuisine to international flavours. Its prime location, close to the beach and vibrant town centre, makes it an ideal base for exploring Lloret de Mar's attractions.

Tourist Tax is charged locally at the hotels and is payable directly by all tourists at approx 1.40 Euro per person per night.

**EASY TO BUDGET FOR - NO HIDDEN EXTRAS** 





You have a choice of 4 or 5-day breaks based in the popular and pretty town of Valkenburg where you'll stay at the central Walram Hotel. On some dates, you'll even find DRINKS INCLUDED packages!

Whilst you'll have plenty of free time to explore Valkenburg, we also have included excursions to the famously charming city of Maastricht. And we'll head across the border into western Germany too. You're sure to enjoy exploring historic Aachen, with its UNESCO World Heritage cathedral and the historic seat of the emperor Charlemagne.

If you're going for 5-days, you'll also love the fairytale village of Monschau - which is in the middle of the Eifel region, a natural paradise of mountains, lakes, valleys, and scenes.

> Andre Rieu Live in his Hometown of Maastricht

# OPENING NIGHT! 02 July - 4 Days - £459

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 3 or 4-nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- A music night at the hotel
- Free time in Valkenburg
- Excursions to Maastricht & Aachen
- Excursion to Monschau (5-day holidays)
- DRINKS INCLUSIVE Breaks also include: 2 hours free bar at the hotel (no free bar on arrival night).

### Walram Hotel, Valkenburg



A firm favourite, catering for UK guests brilliantly, the historic, family-run 3-star Walram Hotel is in a quiet square on the banks of the River Geul, just a 2-minute walk from the centre of Valkenburg. All bedrooms are comfortably furnished and are equipped with a TV and hairdryer The hotel has lift, a traditional restaurant, a modern bar, and an outside terrace. There is also an indoor swimming pool and sauna. Dinner usually consists of a 3-course menu with a choice of main course.

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# Amsterdam & Dutch Delights

If you love wonderful destinations, beautiful architecture, and history in picture-perfect settings, then this is the treat for you!

You will be based in the pretty Dutch village of De Rijp, close to the town of Alkmaar and just a short drive from Holland's bustling capital, Amsterdam. A highlight is sure to be a day out discovering the world of windmills, clogs and cheeses that represent traditional Holland. On top of that, we'll give you time to explore the beautiful town of Alkmaar and, of course, we'll take you to Amsterdam for the day too.

### Hotel De Rijper Eilanden

Our hotel is located on the edge of the quaint village De Rijp, close to Alkmaar. The small and historic centre is within walking distance of the hotel.

The De Rijper offers comfortable rooms and a warm welcome in an ideal location for this holiday.

### **Dutch Bulbfields Specials**

If, like us, you love the Dutch Bulbfields, then why not consider our Keukenhof packages:

There's a Keukenhof, Amsterdam & Dutch Delights holiday with breakfasts and dinners included. You'll depart on 05 May 25, for 5-days at just **£549**.

Then there's Keukenhof & The Hague. Departing on 28 March 2025 for 4-days. This excellent break is just **£399** staying in a 4-star hotel in the centre of The Hague.



### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- Free time in De Rijp
- Excursion to Amsterdam
- Windmills, clogs & cheese excursion to Zaanse Schans, Marken & Edam
- Visit to Alkmaar



### 4\* Special - Holland's Royal City & Amsterdam

Stay in the wonderful and centrally located 4\* Voco Hotel in the Hague on this long weekend.

Departing on the 21st of November for 4 days for just **£389** with breakfast and a full day in Amsterdam included. Please join us...

### EASY TO ENJOY - WITH FRIENDS OLD & NEW



# **Ostend, Bruges & Sluis** DRINKS INCLUSIVE!

Ostend has long been a firm favourite with Leisuretimers and now, with a drinks inclusive package, they're more popular than ever! You will stay at the Royal Astrid Hotel, which is located just a stone's throw from Ostend's lovely sandy beach.

In addition to enjoying free time in Ostend and the leisure facilities at the Royal Astrid Hotel, we'll take you to nearby Bruges - 'the Venice of the North' for a day exploring one of the most beautiful cities in Europe. You'll also have a scenic coastal excursion over the border into Holland, and a visit to the charming, small historic town of Sluis for a little bit of local shopping perhaps?







### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast
- Drinks package\* every night
- Free time in Ostend
- Full day excursion to Bruges
- Half day coastal excursion & visit to Sluis

\*Drinks package includes 5 drinks per person per day - house beer, wine, soft drinks, coffee, and tea.

### **Royal Astrid Hotel**



Our hotel is known for its 'almost' beachside location and leisure facilities. All 173 bedrooms are well appointed and there's Wi-Fi throughout. There is a lovely bar and restaurant for those preferring to stay in rather than explore Ostend's famous nightlife! The hotel has a spa & wellness complex which includes a super swimming pool (extra charges apply for some services). Single rooms are double or twin for sole occupancy.

# Ostend & Bruges Christmas Markets

### Visiting the Christmas markets in Bruges and Ostend is always a magical experience!

Bruges enchants with its medieval streets adorned in twinkling lights, stalls offering handcrafted gifts, and the irresistible aroma of Belgian waffles and mulled wine.

In Ostend, the seaside atmosphere adds a unique touch, with an ice skating rink and festive chalets along the promenade.

Both markets boast cosy vibes, delicious treats, and the perfect opportunity to soak up the holiday spirit in Belgium's winter wonderland.

Your base is the popular Royal Astrid Hotel, set in the heart of Ostend and within easy walking distance of the Ostend Christmas Market.



### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings 3 nights bed & breakfast
- Free time in Ostend Excursion to Bruges

# 3 Day Bruges Christmas Market Mini-Break also available

28 November for just £269. Also stays at the Royal Astrid in Ostend.

# Brussels & Ypres Christmas Market Special

### Visiting Ypres and Brussels during Christmas market season offers the opportunity for both festive charm and poignant history.

Ypres offers a moving experience with its WWI memorials (we'll get you there to enjoy the emotionalLast Post ceremony), complemented by its cosy Christmas market featuring local crafts and seasonal treats.

Brussels dazzles with its iconic Grand Place illuminated in festive lights, a vibrant Christmas market brimming with unique gifts, and indulgent Belgian delicacies like waffles and chocolates.

Together, these destinations offer a magical mix of culture, history, and festive cheer.

Your base will be the excellent B&B Hotel Gent Centrum in the heart of the pretty city of Gent, which is full of its own magic at Christmas-time.



### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings 2 nights bed & breakfast
- Free time in Gent Visit to Ypres Christmas Market & Last Post Ceremony • Excursion to Brussels Christmas Market

### **COACH HOLIDAYS MADE EASY**



# 4\* Cologne & Aachen Christmas Markets

Cologne & Aachen have always been renowned for their Christmas Markets and incredibly popular with Leisuretimers. So we are excited to bring you two great options to visit one or both in 2025.

Our Cologne Ultimate Christmas Markets Special offers you an indulgent weekend staying in 4\* luxury in the heart of Cologne at the excellent 4\* Pullman Hotel. The entire weekend is yours to enjoy in Cologne as you wish - with everything within a short and easy walk from your hotel.

For those wishing to combine both Cologne & Aachen on a festive weekend break, then our Romantic Christmas Market Special could be for you. Staying on the outskirts of Cologne at the 4\* Mercure Cologne West, you'll get lots of time to explore both Aachen and Cologne Christmas Markets. We've also included an evening visit to the magical Christmas Market at Merode Castle, a hidden treasure made famous by its stunning festive light shows. Which will you choose?

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 3 nights bed & breakfast
- Excursions as shown



Tour Date	Days	Holiday	Hotel	Excursions	£
05-Dec	4	Cologne Ultimate German Christmas Markets	Pullman	Free time in Cologne	429
05-Dec	4	Romantic German Christmas Markets Special	Mercure Cologne West	Cologne, Aachen & Merode Castle	349
12-Dec	4	Romantic German Christmas Markets Special	Mercure Cologne West	Cologne, Aachen & Merode Castle	349



### Frankfurt & The Rhine Christmas Markets

Join us on this pre-Christmas festive holiday, staying with our friends at the Lindenwirt Hotel in Ruedesheim. You'll get time to explore the Christmas Market in Ruedesheim along with those in Koblenz and Frankfurt, arguably the home of the German Christmas Market. This 5 day trip includes 1 overnight stop outbound (B&B) and 3 nights at the Lindenwirt (DBB), visits to Koblenz & Frankfurt Christmas Markets and return short sea crossings for £499 and departing on the 16th of December.



# Valkenburg & Maastricht Christmas Markets

Visit the Christmas markets in Valkenburg and Maastricht and you will discover two enchanting yet different festive experiences.

Valkenburg's unique underground markets, set within atmospheric caves, offer handcrafted gifts and local treats amidst twinkling lights. Maastricht dazzles with its magical Winterland Market, featuring an ice rink, Ferris wheel, and charming stalls in Vrijthof Square. Both towns exude holiday spirit, with delicious Dutch delicacies like poffertjes and mulled wine to enjoy, providing a perfect blend of tradition, charm, and seasonal joy which Leisuretimers love.



Tour Date	Days	Holiday	Hotel	Meals	Excursions	£
17-Nov	5	Valkenburg Christmas Markets	Walram, Valkenburg	DBB	Cologne & Maastricht Christmas Markets	499
28-Nov	4	Valkenburg & Magical Maastricht Christmas Markets	Novotel, Maastricht	B&B	Valkenburg including Velvet Caves entrance	389



### Holland's Royal Christmas Fair & Festive Wonderland

This is a delightful alternative to some of the destinations in Holland and, in our opinion, a real hidden gem! You'll stay in The Hague, a city pulsating with grandeur and festive excitement at this time of year. Your base is the excellent 4\* Voco Hotel right in the heart of the city.

This 4 day weekend includes bed and breakfast at the Voco Hotel and lots of free time to explore The Hague and its Christmas Market. We also include an excursion to the pretty town of delft, famous for its iconic blue pottery and return short sea crossings for just £379, departing on the 12th of December.

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Relax and enjoy great festive food and entertainment along with some lovely excursions on this extended holiday as you leave the washing up and traditional stress of Christmas behind you.

Refer to website for more information on this fabulous festive break, including hotel and All Inclusive details.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Return short sea crossings
- 2 nights bed & breakfast at overnight hotels on the outbound and return journey
- 10 nights ALL INCLUSIVE on the Costa Brava
- Christmas & New Year food & entertainment package
- Excursion to Montserrat
- Visit to Barcelona
- Excursion to Girona
- Catalan Coast Excursion

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