



# **Akorn Europe – Shore Excursions**

From our three European offices based in the UK, Italy and Russia we offer private shore excursions for cruise line guests arriving in almost 40 ports across Europe. These excursions allow guests to travel in the privacy of their own party but also to fully customise their tour to suit their individual interests.

All our excursions include **entrance fees** to all sights and museums that are listed in the itinerary, along with **all taxes**. What is more, we will provide an on the ground **24-hour emergency contact service**, should you or your clients ever need to contact us.



# **BELGIUM**

## ZEEBRUGGE

## **Highlights of Bruges - 4 hours**

- Walking tour of Bruges, including the market place, the celebrated belfry and gothic hall
- End your tour of Bruges, the 'Venice of the North', with a canal cruise of its picturesque waterways
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Bruges (3 hours)

## **Bruges & Ypres - 8 hours**

- Visit Bruges' well-known Groeninge Museum, home to a world famous art collection
- After lunch visit the interactive museum in Ypres 'In Flanders Fields' and the Menin Gate
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Bruges and Ypres (7 hours)





## **CROATIA**

#### **DUBROVNIK**

## **Dubrovnik Walking Tour – 4 hours**

- Stroll through Dubrovnik, a masterpiece of medieval and Renaissance architecture proclaimed a city museum by UNESCO
- Pass the 14<sup>th</sup>-century Franciscan Monastery and up onto the city walls which afford superb views
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan (no transport is required if guests tender into the Old Town harbour)
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Kayaking the Adriatic - 4 hours

- Travel along the coast to Zaton Bay for a privately guided kayaking expedition
- Paddle to a private cove where you can swim and snorkel or relax on the beach
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- A privately guided kayak excursion with an English-speaking kayak leader
- All necessary equipment for the kayak excursion

## Tastes of the Peljesac Peninsula - 6 hours

- Try fresh oysters that are cultivated in the inlet at Mali Ston, pulled straight from the sea
- Visit a small family winery to sample local wines. The harsh territory of Peljesac is perfect for growing grapes and olives of a very high quality
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (6 hours)
- Oyster and wine tastings

## Elaphite Islands by Private Motor Yacht – 8 hours

- Start your private boat tour around the picturesque archipelago of the Elaphite Islands
- Cruise to the three largest islands where you can explore the fishing villages, stretches of sandy beaches and attractive towns
- Jeanneau Prestige 36 private motor yacht with English-speaking skipper
- Fuel and marina fees for the specified itinerary



#### **HVAR**

#### The Island of Hvar – 4 hours

- Take time to wander through Hvar Town, one of the best loved resorts on the Dalmatian Riviera
- Climb to the Spanjol Fortress for views out across the glimmering Adriatic Sea and Hvar
   Town
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Hiking the Lost Villages of Hvar - 4 hours

- Hike through some of Hvar's most beautiful villages, along the old medieval trail
- Learn about the local medicinal herbs and meet a lavender producer to hear about the tradition of the plant on the island
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local hiking guide throughout (4 hours)

## Hvar by Bike - 8 hours

- Begin in Stari Grad with an easy ride along the town's long promenade and out into the countryside
- Choose from multiple route options, all of which end at a local farm that grows a range of organic produce
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local hiking guide throughout (8 hours)
- Bicycle rental

## Elegant Hvar - 8 hours

- Explore the elegant marina and ancient monasteries of Hvar Town before climbing to the Spanjol Fortress for views out across the glimmering Adriatic Sea and Hvar Town
- Journey along the coast into the renowned winemaking region for a wine tasting
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)
- Wine tasting

## **SPLIT**

## Split Walking Tour - 4 hours

- Walk through the Palace of the Emperor Diocletian which lies at the heart of Split and was built in 295 BC
- See the many charming 'piazzas', churches and narrow cobblestone streets in the Old Town
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)



## Split & Trogir – 6 hours

- Explore Split's ancient Palace of Diocletian and the many churches and chapels located in the Old Town
- Discover Trogir, known as the 'Jewel of the Adriatic' it is renowned for its ancient buildings and fortifications
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (6 hours)

## Split, Salona & Trogir – 8 hours

- Explore the labyrinthine streets that make up Diocletian's Palace in the heart of Split
- Visit Salona, the largest archaeological site of Roman ruins in Croatia, and Trogir, known as the 'Jewel of the Adriatic'
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

## Krka Waterfalls & Trogir - 8 hours

- Visit the Krka Waterfalls National Park and take a boat ride to the isle of Visovac to see the Franciscan Monastery
- Proceed to Trogir, a picturesque medieval town known as the 'Jewel of the Adriatic'
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



# **DENMARK**

## **COPENHAGEN**

## Royal Copenhagen – 4 hours

- Visit Rosenborg Castle where you will learn the history of the Danish Monarchy and see the fabulous castle treasury
- Tour Christiansborg Palace, which includes a number of stunning tapestries presented to the Queen on her 50<sup>th</sup> birthday
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)



# Kings & Vikings – 4 hours 30 minutes

- Visit Rosenborg Castle and see the fabulous castle treasury whilst learning the history of the Danish Monarchy
- Drive to the ancient town of Roskilde, home to the spectacular Viking Ship Museum
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours 30 minutes)

## Castles of North Zealand - 8 hours

- Travel through Danish countryside to Frederiksborg Castle, a wonderful example of Danish renaissance architecture
- Visit the richly ornamented Kronborg Castle; well-known as the setting of Shakespeare's play Hamlet
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



## **ESTONIA**

## **TALLINN**

## Panoramic Tallinn – 8 hours

- See the stunning Catherine's Palace, the Song Festival Grounds and the beautiful beachside location of Pirita
- Walk up Toompea Hill to view the Baroque Toompea Castle before strolling through the labyrinthine medieval streets to the Müürivahe Street Market
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)





## **FINLAND**

#### **HELSINKI**

## Helsinki Highlights – 3 hours

- Stroll down Mannerheim Street and pass by Parliament House and the Contemporary Art
   Museum
- Explore Sibelius Park and the unique Temppeliaukio Rock Church, blasted into solid rock
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours)

## Haltia Nature Centre & Nuuksio Forest Walk – 4 hours

- Visit the Haltia Nature Centre, an eco-friendly building whose main exhibition explores nature's yearly cycle
- Walk the forest trails through Nuuksio National Park, a varied habitat home to many interesting species
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

### Porvoo & Helsinki – 5 hours 30 minutes

- Journey out of Helsinki to Porvoo, known for its decorative rows of red riverside storehouses
- Continue on foot into the Old Town with its winding streets and little houses
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (5 hours 30 minutes)

## Helsinki's Culture & Countryside - 7 hours

- Visit the unique Temppeliaukio Rock Church, blasted into solid rock, and pass along the city's impressive Mannerheim Street
- Follow in the footsteps of the composer Sibelius, including a visit to his house and the Sibelius Park
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (7 hours)





## **FRANCE**

## **LE HAVRE**

# City of Rouen – 4 hours

- Explore Rouen, a city rich in medieval buildings
- Visit the magnificent Notre Dame Cathedral and see the giant Renaissance clock, Gros Horloge
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide who drives throughout (4 hours)

## Normandy D-day Landing Beaches - 8 hours

- Explore the American Sector, where fierce fighting took place during WWII
- See the famous coastline at Pointe du Hoc, Omaha Beach and the poignant US Military Cemetery, the final resting place of over 9300 US soldiers
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide who drives throughout (8 hours)

## **MONACO**

## Highlights of Monaco - 4 hours

- Visit the Royal Family's extravagant residence, the Palais Princier
- Explore a stunning cavern complex full of impressive geological formations
- Transfers by public transport
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

#### Monaco and the Glamorous Cote d'Azur – 8 hours

- Begin in Monaco at the Royal Family's extravagant residence, the Palais Princier
- Journey to Eze, a village perched dramatically on the cliff top and Villa Kerylos, a mansion built in the classical Greek style
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide who drives throughout (8 hours)



#### **NICE**

## Nice and the Picturesque Towns of the Cote d'Azur – 8 hours

- Discover the historic atmosphere of Nice's Old Town and the bohemian charm of the village of Saint-Paul-de-Vence
- Visit the port of Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat and the elegant Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide who drives throughout (8 hours)

## **ST TROPEZ**

## Highlights of St Tropez – 4 hours

- Explore St Tropez's narrow little streets and markets where fishermen sell their fresh catch
- See the real heart of the town, Place des Lices, where the locals socialise and play boules
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide who drives throughout (4 hours)



## **GERMANY**

#### WARNEMÜNDE

## Explore Lübeck – 8 hours

- Tour Lübeck, including the water-enclosed Old Town and the Holsten Gate
- Learn the history of the local delicacy of marzipan and try a speciality marzipan nut cake
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

# Historic Berlin – 12 hours

- See some of Berlin's most impressive sights including the Reichstag and the Brandenburg Gate
- Visit Checkpoint Charlie; the famous crossing point between East and West Berlin
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Berlin (5 hours)





## **GREECE**

#### **MYKONOS**

## Stunning Mykonos - 4 hours

- Explore the whitewashed houses and lovely beaches of Mykonos and visit the fascinating Archaeological Museum
- See the iconic windmills of Mykonos and visit a local bakery
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

#### **PIRAEUS**

#### **Cape Sounion – 5 hours**

- Venture along the coast to Cape Sounion to the ancient ruins of the Temple of Poseidon
- The temple enjoys an impressive position high on the cliffs and many travellers, including Lord Byron, have carved their signatures here
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (5 hours)

## The Ancient City of Athens – 8 hours

- Ascend the Acropolis to the Parthenon, one of the most important ancient monuments in the Western world
- Tour the Benaki Museum and complete the day with a drive past the Panathenaic Stadium
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

#### **SANTORINI**

### Santorini Highlights – 4 hours

- Drive to Fira to visit the Archaeological Museum before heading to Oia, the most picturesque little town on the island
- Try some of the white wine produced on the island from some of the oldest vineyards in the world



- Wine tasting
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)



## **IRELAND**

#### **BELFAST**

## Highlights of Belfast - 4 hours

- Take a panoramic tour of Belfast's city centre to see the impressive City Hall and the buildings of Queen's University
- Visit the Titanic Quarter where the ill-fated liner was constructed a century ago
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

### Cultural Belfast – 8 hours

- Visit the 'Titanic Belfast' to relive the story of the iconic vessel in the city in which it was constructed
- Tour some of Belfast's sights for an introduction to the turbulent history of the city
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

### **DUBLIN**

#### An Introduction to Dublin - 4 hours

- See the world-famous Book of Kells, a fabulous example of early Irish manuscript illumination
- Continue to St Patrick's Cathedral, the largest church in Ireland and home of a memorial to the writer Jonathan Swift
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)



#### Dublin: A Taste of the Emerald Isle – 8 hours

- See the world-famous Book of Kells and the superb art collection housed in the National Gallery
- Continue to St Patrick's Cathedral, the largest church in Ireland and home of a memorial to the writer Jonathan Swift
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



## **ITALY**

#### **BARI**

## Polignano a Mare & Monopoli – 4 hours

- Perched atop a 20 metre-high limestone cliff Polignano a Mare makes for a fascinating stop
- Walk along Monopoli's sea-front promenade, with its colourful street market and fishermen unloading the day's catch
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Locorotondo & Alberobello – 4 hours

- Visit Locorotondo, whose historical centre contains charming white-washed stone buildings
- Explore Alberobello the UNESCO World Heritage Site characterised by the Trullo coneshaped roofs
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

# Ancient Matera - 8 hours

- Soak up the unique ambience of Matera and its ancient centre
- Hike to discover the nearby rock churches that dot the countryside
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)
- Matera involves steep walking



## Highlights of Puglia & Cheese Tasting - 8 hours

- Tour the charming and architecturally impressive villages of Alberobello and Locorotondo
- Experience the authentic taste of Puglia with a cheese tasting that includes various local products
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)
- Cheese tasting

#### **CIVITAVECCHIA**

## Imperial Rome & the Vatican City – 8 hours

- Tour the imposing Colosseum and Roman Forum, both impressively preserved and a remarkable insight into Rome's history
- Visit the Vatican Museums, the Sistine Chapel with its frescoed ceiling and the Basilica of St Paul, the world's largest church
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Rome (6 hours)
- Express entry to the Vatican Museums past the regular lines

#### Rome for Repeat Visitors – 8 hours

- Journey back in time at the Church of San Clemente, descending three levels underground through two thousand years of history
- See the vast art collection in what is believed to be the largest privately owned Palace in Rome, the Doria Pamphilj
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Rome (6 hours)

#### Gastronomic Rome & Time at Leisure – 8 hours

- Explore the bustling markets and ancient maze of streets whilst discovering Italy's best-loved food with tastings of gelato, Jewish delicacies and meats
- Vehicle and driver at disposal to explore Rome further
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Rome (3 hours)
- Food and wine tastings

## Museums of Rome: Capitoline & Borghese – 8 hours

- Visit the Capitoline Museums, one of the oldest museum complexes in the world
- Discover Villa Borghese, home to collections of sculptures and paintings that are amongst the most important in Italy
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Rome (6 hours)



#### **GENOA**

## The City of Genoa - 4 hours

- Discover some of the magnificent palazzos on the Via Garibaldi which house museums and galleries
- Look around the remarkable San Lorenzo Cathedral, dating from 1118 and created from black and white bricks
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Portofino Walking Tour - 5 hours

- Stroll into the Cyprus-lined hills that surround Portofino to capture some of the breath taking coastal views
- Visit the Castello di San Giorgio, built in the 1500s as a defence against the Turks
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Portofino (3 hours)

### Portofino & Camogli – 8 hours

- Guided walking tour of Portofino, the most exclusive harbour and resort town in Italy
- See the charming fishing village of Camogli with its sea-shell adorned pastel-painted houses
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

### Genoa for Families - 8 hours

- Learn about Genoa's impressive maritime history through interactive and multimedia exhibitions at the innovative Galata Museum
- Explore Genoa's Aquarium, Europe's largest marine park that excellently recreates the natural habitats of many marine species
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

### **LIVORNO**

## Cycling Lucca's Medieval Walls – 5 hours

- Walk along the beautifully preserved streets of Lucca
- Cycle around Lucca's impressive ramparts, providing enchanting views over the palazzo gardens and historic centre
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Lucca (2 hours)
- Bicycle rental



## The City of Florence – 6 hours

- Stroll through the Renaissance city of Florence with its fine palaces and churches
- See Michelangelo's exquisite 'David' at the Galleria dell'Accademia
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Florence (3 hours)

## **Chianti Countryside & Wine Tasting - 8 hours**

- Travel the winding roads of Tuscany's beautiful countryside, taking in charming hamlets and fortified villas
- Guided tour of the vineyards at Casanova Winery and tasting of their fine red wines
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

## Best of Florence & Pisa - 8 hours

- Take in Florence's lovely piazzas, churches and palaces as well as the splendid Duomo and Michelangelo's exquisite 'David'
- Stop in Pisa to admire the famous Leaning Tower
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Florence (4 hours)

## **NAPLES**

## Food Tour of Naples – 4 hours

- Sample some delicious local specialities at one of Naples' best food markets
- Visit one of the world's oldest pizzerias for lunch and enjoy a wine tasting at one of the most famous wine shops in the city
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)
- Wine tasting and pizza

## **Underground Naples – 4 hours**

- Make your way below Naples to a lost world of catacombs and caves, Roman roads and Christian burial sites
- The tunnels were also used in World War II as a shelter from heavy bombing
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## The City of Naples - 8 hours

- Try Naples' famous street food as your guide shows you the historic sights
- Visit the medieval Castel Nuovo, whose magnificently decorated rooms contain original Bourbon furnishings, paintings and statues
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan



- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)
- Street food tastings

### Historic Pompeii & Vesuvius - 10 hours

- The ruins of Pompeii provide an unparalleled window into life during the Roman Empire as you walk through the city's streets
- Climb to the summit of Mount Vesuvius to admire the views across the Bay of Naples
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (10 hours)

#### **PORTOVENERE**

## The Village of Portofino – 6 hours

- Stroll into the Cyprus-lined hills that surround Portofino to capture some of the breath taking coastal views
- Visit the Castello di San Giorgio, built in the 1500s as a defence against the Turks
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Portofino (3 hours)

### Forte dei Marmi – 6 hours

- Travel to the popular seaside town of Forte dei Marmi that takes its name from the fortress that was built by Leopold II in the main square
- Relax on the sandy beach, go for a swim or peruse the shops
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan (6 hours)

#### Highlights of Pisa & Lucca – 6 hours

- Walk through Pisa past the famous Leaning Tower and the Piazza dei Miracoli
- Cycle around Lucca's impressive ramparts, providing enchanting views over the palazzo gardens and historic centre
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Pisa and Lucca (4 hours)
- Bicycle rental

## Picturesque Cinque Terre – 8 hours

- Cinque Terre or 'Five Islands' is built along the steep cliffs of Liguria, once only accessible by sea
- Visit Vernazza, a beautiful village consisting of tall, colourful houses and the fishing village of Manarola
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



#### **RAVENNA**

### Byzantine Ravenna - 3 hours 30 minutes

- Visit the Cathedral of San Vitale with its elaborate 6<sup>th</sup>-century mosaics
- See the remarkable Basilica of Sant' Apollinare in the nearby village of Classe
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours 30 mins)

## Medieval & Gastronomic Bologna – 6 hours

- Wander through Bologna's superbly preserved medieval city centre
- Tour the ancient markets and food shops tasting local produce, such as pasta, cheese and salami
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Bologna (4 hours)
- Food tastings throughout the tour

## Parma Walking Tour - 7 hours

- See Parma's stunning 12<sup>th</sup>-century Duomo di Parma and its pink marble Baptistery
- Visit Pilotta Palace, a large complex that houses galleries, art collections and the amazing 17<sup>th</sup>-century wooden Teatro Farnese
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Parma (3 hours)

## Maranello: Drive a Ferrari – 8 hours

- Independently explore the fascinating history of Ferrari at the Galleria Ferrari
- 30-minute drive through the Italian countryside behind the wheel of a Ferrari
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- 30 minute drive (per person) in a Ferrari please remember your driving license

## **SORRENTO**

## Sorrento Walking Tour – 3 hours

- Visit the Museo Correale di Terranova; formerly an 18<sup>th</sup>-century palace it houses local marquetry work and Neopolitan paintings
- Sample some of the local limoncello liqueur
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours)
- Limoncello tasting

## The Ancient City of Pompeii – 6 hours

- Explore the ancient site of Pompeii which provides a rich history of life during the Roman Empire
- See the incredibly well-preserved thermal baths, shops and lavish dwellings



- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide at Pompeii (3 hours)

#### The Iconic Amalfi Coast - 6 hours

- Follow the romantic road along the Amalfi Coast to the town of Amalfi, home to the magnificent 10<sup>th</sup>-century Duomo
- Stop and admire the village of Positano that hangs above the glistening sea
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local driver-guide throughout (6 hours)

### Capri by Private Motorboat – 8 hours

- Cruise around the island of Capri, stopping at the delightfully picturesque inlet at Marina Piccola
- Swim from the boat next to the high cliffs and grottoes that typify Capri's coastline
- 34-foot private motorboat with local skipper (8 hours)

#### **VENICE**

#### Splendour of Venice Walking Tour – 4 hours

- Visit the lavish Doge's Palace
- See St Mark's Basilica and St Mark's Square, some of the most impressive landmarks in the city
- Return private motorboat transfers between the harbour and central Venice
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Venice for Art Lovers Walking Tour - 4 hours

- Discover the art treasures of the gothic Frari church
- Guided tour of the masterpieces on display in the Accademia Gallery
- Return private motorboat transfers between the harbour and central Venice
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

### Lagoon Islands – 7 hours

- Cruise across the lagoon to Murano, where glass has been made for over 700 years using the same techniques
- Explore Torcello and Burano, a colourful fisherman island famous for its lace and charming architecture
- Return private motorboat transfers between the harbour and the islands
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (7 hours)

## The Roman City of Verona – 7 hours

- Explore elegant Verona, home to one of the world's finest Roman amphitheatres
- Visit the house of Juliet and its famous balcony from Shakespeare's 'Romeo and Juliet'



- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Verona (3 hours)



## **GIARDINI NAXOS – TAORMINA (SICILY)**

## **Greek Taormina Walking Tour – 3 hours**

- Ascend to the town of Taormina for views that overlook Mount Etna and the Bay of Naxos
- Walk through the narrow streets to the impressive Greek theatre
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours)

#### Taormina & Castelmola – 4 hours

- Stroll through Taormina's main street, lined with chic stores and impressive architecture
- High above Taormina visit Castelmola, which still retains its medieval character and layout
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Syracuse & Ortigia Island – 8 hours

- See the Greek theatre at Neapolis, one of the most important examples of ancient theatre architecture in the world
- Explore the picture-perfect island of Ortiga, known for its white baroque architecture
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

## Catania & Piazza Armerina – 8 hours

- Experience Catania's vibrant morning fish market
- Travel into rural Sicily to see one of the finest examples of aristocratic dwellings from the Western Roman Empire
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)





## **PALERMO (SICILY)**

## The City of Palermo - 4 hours

- Tour Palmero's architecturally impressive Duomo
- Wander through the Quattro Canti, the heart of old Palmero, to the 12<sup>th</sup>-century San Cataldo Church
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Sicily's West Coast: Segesta, Erice, Trapani – 8 hours

- Drive to Segesta and the hill town of Erice that offers some of Sicily's most impressive views
- Sample some of Maria Grammatico's famous almond pastries along with a pastry-making demonstration
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)
- Tasting of local pastries



## **LATIVA**

#### **RIGA**

## Explore Riga – 8 hours

- Walk through Old Riga Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, containing wonderful medieval architecture
- Explore Riga Central Market, where you gain a real flavour of Latvian culture and tradition
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)





## **LITHUANIA**

### KLAIPĖDA

## Klaipėda & Curonian Spit – 8 hours

- Tour the Old Town of Klaipėda, full of narrow alleyways, courtyards, galleries, cafes and boutiques
- Take the ferry to Curonian Spit National Park and explore the quaint fishing villages and majestic sand dunes
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



## **MALTA**

### **VALLETTA**

## City of Valletta – 4 hours

- Tour Malta's capital city Valletta, with its Grand Harbour and magnificent fortifications
- See the many prehistoric artefacts at the National Museum of Archaeology
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

#### Medieval Towns of Mdina & Rabat – 4 hours

- Walk through the quaint alleys and narrow streets of Mdina
- Visit the Wignacourt Museum housed in a 16<sup>th</sup>-century monastery
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)



## Prehistoric Temples & City of Valletta – 8 hours

- Explore the prehistoric temple complexes of Hagar Qim and Tarxien, built over 5000 years ago
- Walk through Malta's capital city Valletta and visit the staterooms of the Grand Master's
   Palace
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

## The Three Cities, Marsaxlokk & Fort St Elmo in Valletta – 8 hours

- See Birgu's majestic waterfront lined with impressive buildings and Inquisitor's Palace
- Drive to the fishing village of Marsaxlokk and finish at the newly-restored Fort St Elmo and War Museum in Valletta
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



## **MONTENEGRO**

#### **KOTOR**

## **Kotor Walking Tour – 2 hours**

- Tour the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Kotor on foot
- Walk past the Watch Tower, Cathedral of St Tripun and 17<sup>th</sup>-century Prince's Palace
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (2 hours)

## Explore Montenegro – 4 hours

- Drive to the summit of Mount Lovćen to see the mausoleum of Montenegro's greatest poet and king Njegos
- Stop in Budva, one of the oldest settlements on the Adriatic Sea
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)



## Highlights of Montenegro – 8 hours

- Tour the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Kotor on foot, past the Watch Tower and 17<sup>th</sup>-century Prince's Palace
- Drive over Mount Lov
   ćen to the town of Budva, one of the oldest settlements on the Adriatic Sea
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

## Montenegro & Boat Ride - 8 hours

- See the Venetian-styled towns of Budva and Kotor, two of the most impressive settlements on the Adriatic Sea
- Take a boat to the Church of Our Lady of the Rocks, constructed on a man-made islet in 1452 and home to over 60 magnificent paintings
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)
- Boat ride



# THE NETHERLANDS

#### **AMSTERDAM**

### An Introduction to Amsterdam - 4 hours

- Begin at Dam Square for wonderful views of the canals and gabled houses
- Tour Anne Frank's house, where she wrote her celebrated diary during the war
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Marken & Volendam - 4 hours

- Venture back in time and visit the beautiful villages of Marken and Volendam
- Explore the cosy tea shops, small private museums and fishing boats
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)



## Highlights of Amsterdam – 8 hours

- Admire the views of the canals and gabled houses of the Canal Ring District, where you will
  visit the house in which Anne Frank wrote her celebrated diary during the war
- Explore the beautifully-restored Rijksmuseum and the delightful Van Gogh Museum
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

## Beyond Amsterdam: Aalsmeer, Delft & Den Haag - 8 hours

- Watch the colourful Aalsmeer Flower Auction from the observation gallery
- Walk along Delft's small canals and see its famous porcelain before continuing to the Mauritshuis Museum
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



# **NORWAY**

#### **BERGEN**

### Bergen Panorama & Hanseatic Museum – 3 hours

- Tour downtown Bergen and the Bergen Maritime Museum, which displays a vast collection of ship models and marine archaeological findings
- Explore the Hanseatic Museum, located in one of the oldest and best preserved wooden buildings in Bergen
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours)

## Bergen by Foot & Fløyen – 4 hours

- Walk through the Hanseatic Quarter past the medieval King Haakon's Hall
- Ride the Funicular to over 300m above sea level, for a stunning panoramic view over the city
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)



## Salhus & Osterøy Island – 6 hours 30 minutes

- Visit the Museum of Norwegian Knitting Industry, where you will tour the old factory premises, before driving through the impressive fjord landscape
- Proceed to the Osterøy Museum at Gjerstad which demonstrates the traditional crafts of the local community
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (6 hours 30 minutes)

## The Famous Flam Railway – 8 hours 30 minutes

- Board the Flåm Railway, a masterpiece in engineering which travels through 20 tunnels and across multiple bridges
- Admire the spectacular view of the Naeroy Valley and beautiful Tvinde Waterfalls as you drive down Norway's steepest road
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours 30 minutes)

## **OSLO**

### Oslo Highlights – 3 hours 30 minutes

- Explore Akershus Fortress before visiting the City Hall where the Nobel Peace Prize ceremony is held every year
- Pass by the Royal Palace, Parliament and the Vigeland Sculpture Park
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours 30 minutes)

## Classic Oslo – 4 hours 30 minutes

- Pass Oslo's main sights, including the Akershus Fortress and Royal Palace, before visiting the renowned ski jumping area on Holmenkollen Hill
- Stop at the Bygdøy Peninsula and see the Norwegian Folk Museum
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours 30 minutes)

## Hadeland's Glass & Vikings – 5 hours 30 minutes

- Admire the view of fjords, farms and forests on the scenic drive to Hadeland, before stopping at the Hadeland Glass Works
- Stop at Bygdøy Island to visit the famous Viking Ships Museum
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (5 hours 30 minutes)



## Rib Safari in Oslofjords & Oscarborg – 5 hours 30 minutes

- Speed across the water through Oslofjord on a fun and exciting RIB ride
- Disembark at Oscarborg to see the coastal fortress
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (5 hours 30 minutes)



# **POLAND**

## **GDAŃSK**

## Highlights of Gdańsk – 4 hours

- Walk along the 'Royal Route' where the richest residents of Gdańsk once lived
- Continue to Oliwa, the most northern part of Gdańsk where the cathedral, one of the best-known buildings in the city, lies
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Explore Gdańsk – 8 hours

- Walk along the 'royal route' and explore the Old Town,
- Wander past the art nouveau cafes and shops on Monciak Street before ending your tour at the 'Gift of Pomerania', an example of Poland's shipbuilding traditions
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)





# **PORTUGAL**

#### **LISBON**

## Highlights of Lisbon – 4 hours

- Explore Lisbon's beautiful Belem district with its magnificent Jerónimos Monastery
- Continue to the National Coach Museum where there is an impressive collection of painted and gilded baroque coaches
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

#### Quelez & Cascais – 4 hours

- Explore Palácio de Queluz with its queen-of-heart formal gardens and azulejo-lined canal where the royals went boating
- Discover the golden bays of the former sleepy fishing village of Cascais
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## An Exploration of Lisbon – 8 hours

- Explore Lisbon's beautiful Belem district with its magnificent Jerónimos Monastery
- Continue to the National Coach Museum and the Calouste Gulbenkian Museum
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

## Sintra, Queluz and Estoril – 8 hours

- Take a short drive to Sintra, the summer retreat of Portuguese monarchs and a UNESCO World Heritage Site
- Make your way to the Capuchos Monastery and onto Queluz Palace, the summer residence of the former Portuguese Royal Family
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)





## **RUSSIA**

#### ST PETERSBURG

## St Petersburg Orientation Tour – 4 hours

- See Nevsky Prospect, the Winter Palace and Vasilevsky Island
- Visit the fascinating Peter and Paul Fortress and the impressive St Isaac's Cathedral
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## Art Treasures of the Hermitage Museum - 4 hours

- Tour the awe-inspiring Hermitage, located in the lavishly decorated Winter Palace
- Learn the remarkable history of the buildings and collections purchased from Western European aristocracy and monarchy
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)
- Not available on Mondays

### Excursion to Peterhof – 4 hours

- Head out of St Petersburg to Peterhof, the summer estate and artistic gem of Peter the Great
- See the impressive parkland which includes the Grand Cascade with its many fountains and water jets
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)
- Not available on Mondays and the last Tuesday of the month

#### Catherine's Palace in Pushkin - 4 hours

- Explore the beautiful Catherine's Palace, whose formal parks stretch to the Hermitage building
- See the world-famous Amber Room which has been meticulously restored to its original glory
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)
- Not available on Tuesdays and the last Monday of the month



A RUSSIAN VISA IS NOT REQUIRED FOR CRUISE PASSENGERS LIVING ABOARD THE SHIP WHO HAVE BOOKED A GUIDED TOUR WITH A LOCAL DMC (SUCH AS AKORN RUSSIA).

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## **SLOVENIA**

#### **KOPER**

## **Introducing Trieste – 5 hours**

- Discover Trieste, one of Italy's most fascinating cities for modern European history
- See one of Italy's largest squares in the heart of Trieste and the hill of San Giusto
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (5 hours)

## The City of Ljubljana - 6 hours

- Stroll through this elegant city, characterised by beautiful Baroque architecture
- Indulge in some shopping or visit highlights that include the Three Bridges area, Plečnik open market and Ljubljana Castle
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (6 hours)



#### Portoroz & Piran – 8 hours

- Explore the famous health resort of Portoroz, known as the 'port of roses', and the nearby salt pans
- Stop in Sečovlje for a local olive oil tasting before continuing to the medieval town of Piran
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)

#### Slovenian Istria – 8 hours

- Drive through the old fishing town of Izola on the Istrian peninsula and onto the famous health resort of Portoroz
- See the Sečovlje salt pans, an impressive coastal marsh wetland
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



# **SPAIN**

## **BARCELONA**

#### Gaudi's Barcelona - 4 hours

- Visit the Catalan architect Antoni Gaudi's masterpiece; the impressive but unfinished Sagrada Familia
- Continue along Passeig de Gracia to view Gaudi's Casa Batlló and Casa Mila, with its brilliant wave-like façade
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

#### Art & Architecture in Barcelona - 8 hours

- Wander through Parc Güell, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of Antoni Gaudi's most colourful creations
- Admire Gaudi's impressive but unfinished Sagrada Familia and the Picasso Museum, where some of the painter's earliest works are housed
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



#### CADIZ

#### The Ancient Port of Cadiz - 3 hours

- Explore the intriguing Old Town of Cadiz on foot
- Proceed to the famous Cathedral de Santa Cruz and the impressive City Hall in San Juan de Dios Square
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours)

#### Historic Influences of Seville - 8 hours

- Discover Seville's most famous monument, the Moorish tower of La Giralda
- Tour the magnificent Alcazar, a 14<sup>th</sup>-century Mudejar palace, and the labyrinth of streets and squares of the Barrio de Santa Cruz
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide in Seville (4 hours)



## **SWEDEN**

# **STOCKHOLM**

### Introducing Stockholm & the Vasa Museum – 3 hours

- Drive past some of Stockholm's most impressive sights, such as the medieval Old Town,
   Royal Palace and National Museum
- See the oldest fully-preserved ship in the world at the Vasa Museum
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours)

#### Stockholm's Old Town & Ice Bar - 3 hours

- Experience the bohemian atmosphere in Stockholm's Old Town, with its winding alleys and cobbled streets
- Visit the impressive Ice Bar for a glass of vodka in surroundings made of pure ice
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours)



## **Drottningholm Palace & Court Theatre – 3 hours 30 minutes**

- Board a boat and travel down the attractive Djurgården canal to Drottningholm Palace, set in beautiful natural scenery
- Visit this former royal residence and tour its magnificent rooms, parkland and Court Theatre
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (3 hours 30 minutes)

## Sigtuna & Steninge Palace – 6 hours

- Drive to Sigtuna, a colourful town characterised by galleries, cafes and a lakeside promenade
- Head to Steninge Palace, one of the finest works of Tessin the Younger with a beautiful 17<sup>th</sup>-century interior
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (6 hours)



# UK

## **EDINBURGH**

## **Introducing Edinburgh – 4 hours**

- Take in the stunning views of the city from Edinburgh Castle, a royal fortress home to the oldest set of Crown Jewels in the British Isles
- At the foot of the Royal Mile see the Palace of Holyroodhouse and the Scottish Parliament Building
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (4 hours)

## **Royal Edinburgh – 8 hours**

- Take in the stunning views of the city from Edinburgh Castle, a royal fortress home to the oldest set of Crown Jewels in the British Isles
- Drive along the Royal Mile to the Palace of Holyroodhouse and end the day at the Royal Yacht Britannia
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide throughout (8 hours)



#### **INVERNESS**

## The Scottish Highlands – 8 hours

- Head south to Loch Ness, the famous loch associated with the mythical monster, and wander through the ruins of Urquhart Castle
- See the battlefield of Culloden Moor, where Bonnie Prince Charlie was defeated in 1746
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide who drives throughout (8 hours)

#### **LIVERPOOL**

## **Explore Liverpool – 8 hours**

- Follow in the footsteps of the famous band The Beatles, who grew up in Liverpool
- See the impressive civic buildings, the Walker Art Gallery and the largest church in the UK
- Private transport by luxury car or minivan
- An expert Akorn local guide who drives throughout (8 hours)