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# Schools Tours for travel with learning 2016

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Welcome to our new 2016 School Tour Brochure full of new and exciting ideas together with some of our favorites. We continually work with our suppliers and transport operators throughout the world to ensure we offer excellent value, quality hotels and simply great school tours.

All our tours are carefully researched to ensure that they meet the needs of all teachers and students alike. There is a little mix of everything to ensure the students receive a tour to remember. We have a number of tours in this brochure, however you will find much more on our brand new website www.marathontravel.ie

#### Planning / Health & Safety / General Infomation & FAQ's

#### Planning

Our team can provide you with suitable recommendations and options covering your overall itinerary including the following:

- value for money tours, covering multiple aspects of the curriculum.
- exciting visits where students can interact with exhibits and displays.
- accommodation with rooms and facilities that are suitable for children.
- suitable evening activities to keep students happy and entertained.
- a daily itinerary that carefully considers journey times onboard the coach

#### **Coaches & Drivers**

Our drivers are one of our greatest assets. When selecting them, we pay particular attention to their driving skills. They will take responsibility for travel documents such as ferry tickets and admission. Our coaches comply strictly with all EU driving regulations, paying particular attention to drivers' hours and we are well ahead of seat belt legislation. While abroad we only use coach operators who conform to the same stringent regulations.

#### Inspection Visits

We encourage and can help with preliminary inspection visits, especially to new destinations. Such visits help group leaders to properly risk assess all aspects of the proposed tour in advance. We can of course provide relevant information on location, accommodation, ferries and transport if you decide that an advance visit is not possible.

#### **Risk Assessment**

We will be happy to supply information for your Risk Assessment Forms. All our coaches are fitted with seat belts and are regularly inspected.

#### Free Place Policy

We allow one free teacher's place for every 10 fare paying pupils

#### Accommodation

We can offer accommodation to any standard you require from youth hostels to four star luxury hotels. We can guarantee your requests on issues such as special needs, meal times, room hire and room arrangements. We have included in this brochure our most popular hotels with school groups. Please feel free to make further suggestions.

#### Travel Insurance

Marathon Travel offers insurance from Blue Insurance, who are Ireland's leading group travel insurance company.

#### Ferries

We work very closely with the Ferry operators and the lowest rates to the UK and Europe, and guarantee the quality of service expected.

#### Flights

We arrange flights from all of the main airports in Ireland to any destination worldwide

#### Licensed & Bonded

We are insured, licensed & bonded with the Commission for Aviation Regulation. The bond we have with them ensures the safety of all deposits and payments. Tour operator number T.O 225.

#### **Curriculum Key**



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Edinburgh is the Jewel of Scotland and both the Old Town and the New Town are UNESCO World Heritage Sites. It is a modern city which offers numerous activities & sights that will be sure to keep your entire group entertained.

Below is a sample itinerary based on a 3 day tour to Edinburgh, but we can tailormake an itinerary to your exact needs

For more details on tours to Edinburgh, please contact our experienced team here at Marathon Travel.



#### **Key Visits**

- Edinburgh Dungeon
- Ghost Walking Tour
- Camera Obscura & World of illusions
- Edinburgh Castle
- Dynamic Earth & Science Centre
- Deep Sea World

### What's included ?

- Return flight from Ireland to Edinburgh
- Return airport transfers
- 2 nights in hotel
- 2 Breakfasts in the hotel
- Entrance to Edinburgh Dungeon
- Ghost Walking Tour
- Entrance to Camera Obscura & World of illusions
- Entrance to Edinburgh Castle
- 1 game of bowling
- Entrance to Dynamic Earth & Science Centre
- Entrance to Deep Sea World
- Insurance

### Sample Itinerary\*

Meet at the airport for your morning flight Transfer to the hotel Visit Edinburgh Dungeon In the evening enjoy a Ghost Walking Tour Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Explore the Camera Obscura & World of Illusions Visit Edinburgh Castle Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Day 3

Breakfast in the hotel Have fun at the Dynamic Earth Science Centre Visit Deep Sea World Free time for shopping Evening flight back to Ireland

# \*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs



Accommodation 3\* Hotel or Hostel



You wish, you would never grow up? Oakwood Theme Park is the prefect day trip for you! Come and have fun in Neverland, have a ride on the Neverland Chase. the Crocodile Coaster or the Skull Rock

Below is a sample itinerary based on a 2 day trip to Oakwood Theme Park. 3 day trips are available. But we can tailor-make an itinerary to your exact needs

For more details on our trips to Wales please contact our experienced team here at Marathon Travel.



## **Key Visit**

Oakwood Theme Park

- Coach Hire as per itinerary
  - 1 night in hotel
  - 1 breakfast in the hotel
  - Entry to Oakwood Theme Park on 2 davs
  - Return ferry crossing (Rosslare -Fishquard)
  - Insurance



#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Dav 1

Private coach collection at your school

07.45 - Arrive at Rosslare Port 09.00 - Depart Rosslare for Fishguard with Stena Line 12.30 - Arrive in Fishquard 13.30 - Arrive at Oakwood Theme Park & spend the afternoon there 17.00 - Depart Oakwood Theme Park and travel to your Hotel Night at your hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Travel to Oakwood Theme Park 09.30 - Arrive at Oakwood Theme Park & spend the morning there 12.40 - Depart & travel to Fishguard 13.30 - Arrive in Fishguard Port 14.30 - Depart Fishguard for Rosslare with Stena Line 18.00 - Arrival in Rosslare Port and transfer back to school

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

Accommodation 3\* Holiday Inn Express Swansea or Similar

#### Other visits suggested

- Cardiff
- Millenium Stadium



Fan of the Beatles and Liverpool Football Club? Liverpool is the perfect destination for your trip away.

The city has also many historic buildings, as well as numerous gardens and parks, museums and recreational activities

Below is a sample itinerary based on a 2 day trip to Liverpool, but we can tailormake an itinerary to your exact needs.



#### **Key Visits**

- Anfield Stadium
- The Beatles Story
- Merseyside Maritime Museum
- Liverpool Museum

#### What's included ?

- Coach Hire as per itinerary
- 1 night in hotel
- 1 breakfast in the hotel
- Tour of Anfield Stadium
- The Beatles Story
- Liverpool Museum
- Merseyside Maritime Museum
- 1 game of Bowling
- Return ferry crossing (Dublin Holyhead)
- Insurance

#### Other visits suggested

- The Beatles Magical Mystery Tour
- The Tate Gallery
- River Cruise



#### Sample Itinerary \*

#### Day 1

Private coach collection at your school 07.20 - Arrive Dublin Port 08.20 - Depart Dublin for Holyhead 11.50 - Arrive in Holyhead, then transfer to Liverpool Visit Anfield Stadium Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Morning visit to Merseyside Maritime Museum. This is a self guided tour, but on request, work shops are arranged. Afternoon visit to The Museum of Liverpool Bowling & Night at the hotel

#### Day 3

Breakfast in the hotel Enjoy the Beatles Story Free time for shopping in the afternoon 17.00 - Depart Liverpool 19.30 - Arrive in Holyhead Port 20.30 - Depart Holyhead for Dublin with Stena Line 23.45 - Arrival in Dublin Port and transfer back to school

*Accommodation 3\* Hotel city centre or outside* 



Riga is the pearl both of Latvia & the entire Baltic region. Its Old Town is a UNESCO World Heritage Site

Each century has left its mark in the city's features & this cultural heritage coexists harmoniously with the quick pace of modern living.

For more details on tours to Riga, please contact our experienced team here at Marathon Travel.



#### **Key Visits**

- Walking tour of Riga
- The Blackhead House
- Jurmala
- Livu Aquapark
- Latvian Ethnographic Open-Air Museum
- Riga Motor Museum



#### What's included ?

- Return flight from Ireland to Riga
- Return airport transfers
- Return transfers to Jurmala
- 3 nights in hotel
- 3 breakfasts
- Entrance to the Blackhead House
- Canal Cruise
- Entrance to Livu Aquapark
- Entrance to visit Latvian Ethnographic Open-Air Museum
- Entrance to Riga Motor Museum
- 1 game of Bowling
- Insurance

#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Day 1

Evening flight to Riga Transfer to the hotel Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Walking tour of Riga at leisure Visit the Blackhead House Enjoy a Canal cruise Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Day 3

Breakfast in the hotel Day trip to Jurmala Walking tour of Jurmala to discover the beach & monuments Afternoon & evening at Livu Aquapark Night at the hotel

#### Day 4

Breakfast in the hotel Visit Latvian Ethnographic Open-Air Museum Visit Riga Motor Museum Free time for last minute shopping Flight back to Ireland

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

Accommodation 3\* Hotel central Hotel



Have a fantastic trip out in Alton Towers, UK premier theme park. Alton Towers is bursting with fun with over 50 rides and attractions to suit everyone from kids to adults and thrill seekers.

Below is a sample itinerary based on a 2 day trip to Alton Towers. 1 day trips are available. But we can tailor-make an itinerary to your exact needs

For more details on our trips to Alton Towers, please contact our experienced team here at Marathon Travel.



#### What's included ?

- Coach Hire as per itinerary
- 1 night in hotel
- 1 breakfast in the hotel
- Entry to Alton Towers on 1 day
- Return ferry crossing (Dublin -Holyhead)
- Insurance

#### **Key Visits**

- Alton Towers
- Trafford Centre

#### Other Theme Parks Trips

- Blackpool Leisure Beach
- Oakwood Theme Park
- Chessington World of Adventure
- Thorpe Park



#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Day 1

Private coach collection at your school 07.20 - Arrive at Dublin Port 08.20 - Depart Dublin for Holyhead with Stena Line 11.50 - Arrive in Holyhead, then Transfer from Holyhead to the hotel Free afternoon in Manchester Trafford Centre Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Travel to Alton Towers 09.15 - Arrive in Alton Towers, Spend the day at the park 15.30 - Depart Alton Towers 19.30 - Arrive in Holyhead Port 20.30 - Depart Holyhead for Dublin with Stena Line 23.45 - Arrival in Dublin Port and transfer back to school

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

Accommodation 3\* De Vere Cheadle Hotel or Similar



It is no wonder Paris has a reputation as one of the most beautiful cities in the world. From the Eiffel Tower to the Champs Elysee & from Le Louvres to Montmartre, Paris has a lot to offer: culture, history, fun and much more. There is always something new to discover & see. Paris remains without a doubt one of our most popular destinations for school groups.

For more details on tours to Paris, please contact our experienced team here at Marathon Travel.



#### **Key Visits**

- Panoramic Tour of Paris
- Disneyland Paris
- The Eiffel Tower
- Seine River Cruise
- Aquaboulevard
- Le Louvres Museum



#### What's included ?

- Return flight from Ireland to Paris
- Return airport transfers + coach at disposal for the panoramic tour
- 3 nights in hotel
- 3 Breakfasts in the hotel
- Full day entrance to Disneyland Paris
- Ticket to The Eiffel Tower
- Cruise on the River Seine
- Entrance to Aquaboulevard
- Entrance to Le Louvres Museum
- 1 game of Bowling

#### **Other Suggested Visits**

- Arc de Triomphe
- Tour Montparnasse
- Chateau de Versailles

#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Day 1

Meet at the airport for your morning flight Panoramic Tour of Paris Transfer to the hotel Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Full day at Disneyland Paris Evening at leisure Night at the hotel

#### Day 3

Breakfast in the hotel Climb the Eiffel Tower Enjoy a River Cruise Evening at the Aquaboulevard Night at the hotel

#### Day 4

Breakfast in the hotel Visit le Louvres Museum Free time to Discover Montmartre & do some shopping Flight back to Ireland

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

Accommodation 3\* Hotel city hotel



# Toulouse & South France

What's included ?

Perpignan to Toulouse

Carcassonne day trip

3 breakfasts in the hotel

Entrance to La cite de l'Espace

3 nights in hotel

Airbus A380 Tour

River or Canal Cruise

1 game of Bowling

Insurance

Perpignan

Return flight from Ireland to

Return airport transfers from

Coach at disposal for Lourdes or

Toulouse is the ideal base to explore the South of France. It is perfectly located half way between the Atlantic Ocean & the Medditeranean Sea.

Toulouse is very well known for its Rugby team & its delicous French Cuisine. It is a year round destination with plenty of warm & sunny days. Below is a sample itinerary based on a 4 day tour to Toulouse, but we can tailor make an itinerary to your exact needs.

We collect schools nationwide, For more details on tours to France, please contact our experienced team here at Marathon Travel.



#### **Key Visits**

- Walking Tour of Toulouse
- La cite de l'Espace
- Airbus A380 Tour
- Toulouse River or canal Cruise

#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Dav 1

Meet at the airport for your flight to Perpignan Transfer to Toulouse Walking Tour of Toulouse Evening at Leisure Night at the hotel

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#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Visit La cite de L'espace Enjoy the Airbus A380 tour Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Dav 3

Breakfast in the hotel Day trip to Lourdes or Carcassonne Evening at leisure Night at the hotel

#### Day 4

Breakfast in the hotel River or Canal Cruise Free time for shopping Travel to Perpignan Flight back to Ireland

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

Accommodation 3\* Central Hotel



# 9 HELCB Brussels & Bruges

Belgium offers a wonderful range of visits with its capital, Brussels, being the headquarters of the European Union. Brussels famous Grand Place is a UNESCO World Heritage Site

A visit to Belgium would not be complete without a visit to a Chocolate Factory!

Below is a sample itinerary based on a 4 day tour to Brussels and Bruges, but we can tailor-make an itinerary to your exact needs



#### **Key Visits**

- Walking tour of Brussels
- Walking tour of Bruges
- Canal Boat trip
- Mini Europe
- Oceade Waterpark
- Chocolate Factory



#### What's included ?

- Return flight from Ireland to Brussels
- Return airport transfers
- Return transfers from Brussels to Bruges
- Return transfers from Brussels to Mini Europe & Oceade Waterpark
- 3 nights in hotel
- 3 breakfasts in the hotel
- Canal Boat trip in Bruges
- Entrance to Mini Europe
- Entrance to Oceade Waterpark
- Visit of a Chocolate Factory
- 1 game of Bowling
- Ice-skating
- Insurance

#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Day 1

Meet at the airport for your flight Transfer to the hotel Walking Tour of Brussels Ice skating Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Day trip to Bruges Walking tour of Bruges at leisure Canal boat trip Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Day 3

Breakfast in the hotel Visit Mini Europe Have fun at Oceade Waterpark Evening at leisure Night at the hotel

#### Day 4

Breakfast in the hotel Visit to a chocolate factory Free time to do some shopping Evening flight back to Ireland

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

**Accommodation** 3\* Hotel city centre or outside



Proud of its Catalan identity, Barcelona is a mind blowing cocktail. It is one of the most lively & stylish cities in Europe

Its monuments, museums, beaches, parks & food, everything in Barcelona invites you to enjoy life.

For more details on tours to Barcelona, please contact our experienced team here at Marathon Travel.



#### **Key Visits**

- Panoramic Tour of Barcelona
- La Sagrada Familia
- The Picasso Museum
- The Olympic Stadium
- Port Aventura
- La Pedrera

#### What's included ?

- Return flight from Ireland to Barcelona
  - Coach at disposal as per itinerary
- 3 nights in hotel
- 3 breakfasts in the hotel
- Entrance to La Sagrada Familia
- Entrance to the Picasso Museum
- Visit the Olympic Stadium
- 1 day entrance to Port Aventura
- Entrance to La Pedrera
- 1 game of Bowling
- Insurance

#### Other suggested visits

- Nou Camp Stadium
- Dali Museum
- The Joan Miro Foundation



#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Day 1

Meet at the airport for your flight Transfer to the hotel Panoramic Tour of Barcelona Visit of La Sagrada Familia Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Full day at Port Aventura Evening at leisure Night at the hotel

#### Day 3

Breakfast in the hotel Visit The Picasso Museum Visit Montjuic & the Olympic Stadium Free time & shopping at Maremagnum Night at the hotel

#### Day 4

Breakfast in the hotel Visit La Pedrera Have a stroll at the Park Guell Flight back to Ireland

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

#### Accommodation 3\* Hotel or Hostel



Rome is the Eternal City, the symbol of Power, History, Culture & Christianity. No other city in the world can offer such diversity for the whole group to enjoy.

From the Vatican to the Colosseum & from the Trevi Fountainto the Pantheon, there is always something to do and see in Roma

Below is a sample itinerary based on a 4 day tour to Rome, but we can tailor-make an itinerary to your exact needs.



#### **Key Visits**

- Panoramic tour of Rome
- The Time Elevator Experience
- The Collosseum & the Roman Forum
- Hydromania Aquapark
- The Villa D'Este
- Hadrian's Villa
- The Vatican Museum, St Peter's Basilica & The Sistine Chapel



#### What's included ?

- Return flight from Ireland to Rome
- Return airport transfers
- Coach for the Tour of Rome
- Return transfers to Tivoli
- 3 nights in hotel
- 3 breakfasts
- Entrance to the Time Elevator Experience
- Entrance to The Collosseum & the Roman Forum
- Ticket to Hydromania Aquapark
- Entrance to the Villa D'Este
- Entrance to Hadrian's Villa
- 1 game of Bowling
- Entrance to the Vatican Museum, St Peter's Basilica and The Sistine Chapel
- Insurance

#### Sample Itinerary\* Day 1

Meet at the airport for your flight Transfer to the hotel Panoramic Tour of Rome Enjoy the Time Elevator Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Visit The Colloseum & the Forum Hydromania Aquapark Evening at leisure Night at the hotel

#### Day 3

Breakfast in the hotel Day trip to Tivoli Visit the Villa D'este Visit the Hadrian's Villa Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Day 4

Breakfast in the hotel Visit the Vatican Museums, St Peter's Basilica & The Sistine Chapel Free time to do some shopping Evening flight back to Ireland

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

## Accommodation

*Camping Village Rome or 3\** Hotel city centre or outside



Berlin is a beautiful, exciting & fascinating city to visit. Anyone can fall in love with it. From Checkpoint Charlie to the impressive Reichstag & the TV Tower, Berlin is filled with many exciting places to explore & is a very popular destination for our groups.

Our sample itinerary is based on a 4 day tour to Berlin, but we can tailor-make an itinerary to your exact needs.



#### **Key Visits**

- Panoramic Tour of Berlin
- The Wall Museum Haus
- The Reichstag
- The Stasi Prison
- Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp
- The DDR Museum
- The Berlin Unterwelten

#### What's included ?

- Return flight from Ireland to Berlin
- Return airport transfers
- Coach at disposal for the tour of Berlin
- Return transfers to Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp
- 3 nights in hotel
- 3 breakfasts
- Entrance to the Wall Museum Haus
- Visit of the Reichstag
- Visit of the Stasi Prison
- Visit of Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp
- Entrance to the DDR Museum
- Entrance to Berlin Unterwelten
- 1 game of Bowling
- Insurance



#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Day 1

Meet at the airport for your flight Transfer to the hotel Panoramic Tour of Berlin Visit the Wall Museum Haus Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Visit of the Reichstag Visit of The Stasi Prison Free time at the Sony Centre Night at the hotel

#### Day 3

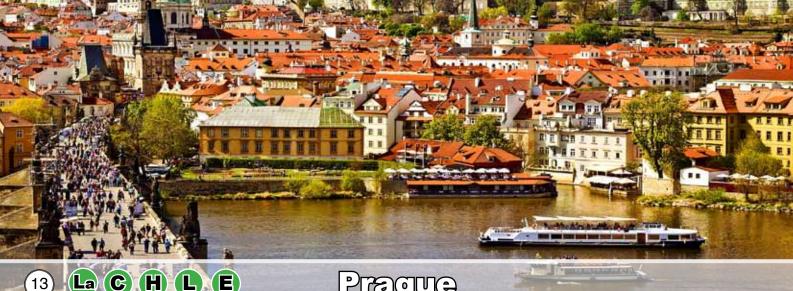
Breakfast in the hotel Visit of Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp Visit to the DDR Museum Evening at leisure Night at the hotel

#### Day 4

Breakfast in the hotel Visit Berlin Unterwelten Free time for shopping Flight back to Ireland

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

Accommodation 3\* Hotel or Hostel



# Prague

Prague, also known as the City of Hundred Spires is a UNESCO World Heritage Site & one of the most beautiful cities in the world.

Prague, the fairy tale city will charm you with its castle, the Charles Bridge & The Old Town Square

For more details on tours to Prague, please contact our experienced team here at Marathon Travel.



#### **Key Visits**

- Walking Tour of Prague
- Prague Castle
- **River Cruise**
- Terezin Concentration Camp
- Melnik Castle
- Aquapalace



#### What's included ?

- Return flight from Ireland to Prague
- Return airport transfers
- Coach at disposal for Terezin & Melnik trip
- 3 nights in hotel
- 3 breakfasts
- Entrance to Prague Castle
- **River** Cruise
- Visit of Terezin Concentration Camp
- Visit of Melnik Castle
- Entrance to Aquapalace
- Ice-skating
- 1 game of Bowling
- Insurance

#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Day 1

Flight to Prague Transfer to the hotel Walking Tour of Prague at leisure Ice skating Night at the hotel

#### Dav 2

Breakfast in the hotel Visit Prague castle Enjoy a River Cruise Have fun at Aquapalace Night at the hotel

#### Dav 3

Breakfast in the hotel Visit Terezin Concentration Camp Visit of Melnik Castle Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Day 4

Breakfast in the hotel Morning at leisure for last minute shopping Flight back to Ireland

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

#### Accommodation

3\* Hotel city centre or outside



# Bratislava & Vienna

Sitting on both sides of the Danube in the Southwest corner of Slovakia, Bratislava is an old European City full of character with its cobble streets and its Old Town

Vienna is Europe's Cultural City. Come and walk in the footsteps of Mozart, Beethoven, Sissi & Emperor Franz Josef.

Below is a sample itinerary based on a 4 day tour to Bratislava & Vienna but we can tailor-make an itinerary to your exact needs



#### **Key Visits**

- Walking tour of Bratislava
- Walking tour of Vienna
- The Hofburg Palace
- The Transport Museum
- Bratislava Castle

#### What's included ?

- Return flight from Ireland to Bratislava
- Return airport transfers
- Return transfers from Bratislava to Vienna
- 3 nights in hotel
- 3 breakfasts at the hotel
- Visit of the Hofburg Palace
- Entrance to the Transport Museum
- Entrance to Bratislava Castle
- 1 game of Bowling
- Insurance



#### Sample Itinerary\*

#### Day 1

Morning flight to Bratislava Transfer to the hotel Walking Tour of Batislava Bowling Night at the hotel

#### Day 2

Breakfast in the hotel Day trip to Vienna Walking tour of Vienna at leisure Visit the Hofburg Palace Evening at leisure Night at the hotel

#### Day 3

Breakfast in the hotel Visit the Transport Museum Visit Bratislava Castle Evening at leisure Night at the hotel

#### Day 4

Breakfast in the hotel Free time to do some shopping Flight back to Ireland Evening flight home

\*All itineraries can be changed and adjusted to suit your groups needs

Accommodation 3\* Hotel city centre or outside





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