



OVERVIEW

Vacation Date: Jul 3, 2022 - Jul 14, 2022

Vacation Destinations: London, Venice, Florence & Santorini

Duration: 11 days and 10 nights

Destinations:

- **Venice:** July 4 - 5 (1 night)
- **Florence:** July 5 - 9 (4 nights)
- **Santorini:** July 9 - 13 (4 nights)
- **Athens** July 13 - 14 (1 night)

Jul 3, 2022: Departure from Chicago

- **Flight to London (ORD - LHR)**

Jul 4, 2022: London Trip (12 hours)

London - Trip Details:

- **Arrival in London (Heathrow Airport - LHR)**
- **Train ride via London Train (Heathrow Express)**
- **Breakfast at SOHO House**
 - [180 House](#) (Temple or Holborn Tube Stations)
 - Located within an iconic Brutalist landmark, 180 House is a short walk from Somerset House on London's Strand. Our eighth-floor and rooftop restaurants serve House regulars and a weekly specials menu featuring retro 1970s-inspired dishes.
- **Black Taxi Tour + Lunch + Transfer (Total duration: 5 hours and 30 minutes)**
 - [Black Taxi Tour - Classic London Sightseeing Tour](#) (2 hours)

■ **Locations:**

- Buckingham Palace
 - Palace of Westminster (Houses of Parliament and Big Ben)
 - Westminster Abbey, St Paul's Cathedral
 - Trafalgar Square
 - Tower of London
 - The London Eye
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- **Lunch:** [Enish Buka & Bar in Camberwell](#)
 - **Drop-off at Heathrow Airport (LHR)** - 3 hours before flight
 - **Flight to Venice (LHR - VCE)**

Jul 4, 2022 - Jul 5, 2022: Venice Trip (under 1 day)

- **Hotel:** [Baglioni Hotel Luna](#)
 - **SIZE:** 91 rooms
 - **ROOM STYLE:** Classic
 - **VIBE:** Sophisticated

July 4, Venice - Day 1 Trip Details:

- **Arrival at Venice - Aeroporto Di Venezia Marco Polo (VCE)**
- **Private Transfer from Venice Airport to the Baglioni Luna Hotel (1 hour)**
 - Mercedes-Benz E Class Sedan + [Water Taxi](#)

July 5, Venice - Day 2 Trip Details:

- **Venice Tour Locations + Experiences:**
 - [Private Walking Tour with St Mark's & Gondola Ride in Venice](#) (2 hours and 30 minutes)
 - Booked via LivTours
 - Chiesa San Giacomo di Rialto
 - Campo San Giacometto square
 - Private Walking Tour with St Mark's Basilica (Golden Basilica)
 - St. Mark's Square
 - Doge's Palace
 - Bridge of Sighs
 - Basilica di Santa Maria Gloriosa dei Frari
 - Canal Grande
 - Rialto Market
 - Rialto Bridge
 - 30-minute gondola ride
- [Water Taxi](#) to Santa Lucia Train Station Venice (30 minutes)
- **Train from Venice to Florence (2 hours and 15 minutes)**
 - Carrier: Trenitalia, through ItaliaRail
 - Depart: Venezia San Lucia
 - Arrive: Firenze Santa Maria Novella

- **Taxi Transfer to Westin Excelsior Hotel Firenze (15 minutes)**

Jul 5, 2022 - Jul 9, 2022: Florence Trip (4 days)

- **Hotel:** [The Westin Excelsior, Florence](#) - Marriott Bonvoy
 - **SIZE:** 171 rooms
 - **ROOM STYLE:** Classic
 - **VIBE:** Sophisticated

July 6, Florence - Day 1 Trip Details:

- **Shopping at the Florence Leather Markets**
- **[Private Florence Food Tour \(3 hours\):](#)**
 - Booked via LivTours
 - **Highlights:**
 - Feast on fresh traditional pasta at a local restaurant on this private experience
 - Enjoy a wine tasting with a heavenly selection of local cured meats and cheese
 - Learn about typical Florence street food and enjoy a delicious *lampredotto* sandwich
 - End your day off the Italian way with a proper Florentine gelato in the city center
 - Admire the charming historical sites of Florence like the Piazza della Signoria
 - **Tour includes:**
 - Tuscan wine tasting
 - Local cured meats & regional cheese
 - Lampredotto sandwich
 - Traditional Tuscan pasta dishes
 - Italian gelato
 - Fully guided experience

July 7, Florence - Day 2 Trip Details:

- **Private [Tuscany Day Trip to Siena and San Gimignano from Florence \(8 hours\)](#)**
 - Luxurious drive through the Tuscan hills
 - Province of Siena
 - San Gimignano
 - **Highlights:**
 - Explore 2 beautiful Tuscan towns: Siena and San Gimignano on this private tour
 - Enhance your understanding and love for the world famous Tuscan countryside
 - Enjoy a traditional Tuscan lunch and a cheese-tasting near San Gimignano
 - Admire the views across the Tuscan countryside from the bell tower in San Gimignano
- **Massage (1 hour and 30 minutes):**
 - **[Iridium Spa @ St. Regis Hotel](#)**
 - 90 MINS Decontracting Massage

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July 8, Florence - Day 3 Trip Details:

- Free day
- Dinner at [Fuor D'Acqua restaurant](#)

July 9, Florence - Day 4: TRAVEL to Santorini

- Private Transfer to Florence Airport (30 minutes)
- Flight to Santorini, connecting through Athens (FLR - ATH - JTR)
- Arrival at Santorini National Airport (JTR)
- Private Transfer from Santorini Airport to Canaves Oia Suites (30 minutes)

Jul 9, 2022 - Jul 13, 2022: Santorini Trip (3 days and 15 minutes)

- Hotel: [Canaves Oia Suites](#) - Canaves Oia
 - **SIZE:** 41 rooms
 - **ROOM STYLE:** Contemporary
 - **VIBE:** Sophisticated
 - **EXPERIENCES:** Landmarks, Seclusion, Wellness

July 10, Santorini - Day 1 Trip Details:

- Spa day at the Canaves Oia Renowned Spa (4 hours)
 - Russian Steam Bath and Ultimate Couple's Awakening Massage (2 hours and 30 minutes)
 - Mani/Pedi (90 minutes)

July 11, Santorini - Day 2 Trip Details:

- Explore Oia Village, Santorini
- Private Dining Experience (2 hours):
 - [Petra Restaurant @ Canaves Oia Suites](#)
 - Intimate moment under the stars, overlooking an infinity pool and the Aegean Sea

July 12, Santorini - Day 3 Trip Details:

- [Sunset Diamond Cruise](#) (5 hours):
 - Cruise itinerary:
 - Starts at Amoudi port
 - 1st stop: Hot Springs for swimming. Sails past Aspronisi, Ancient Lighthouse, Akrotiri and Indian Rock.
 - 2nd stop: Red Beach for swimming and snorkeling.
 - 3rd stop: White Beach for swimming & barbeque onboard. Sails below Oia to watch the sunset.
 - Return: Tour ends at Amoudi port after the sunset

July 13, Santorini - Day 4 Trip Details:

- **Taxi Transfer from Canaves Oia Suites to Santorini Airport (30 minutes)**
- **Flight to Athens (JTR - ATH)**
- **Arrival at Athens (ATH)**

Jul 13, 2022 - Jul 14, 2022: Athens Trip (20 hours and 15 minutes)

- **Hotel:** [King George](#), a Luxury Collection Hotel, Athens - Marriott Bonvoy
 - **PROPERTY SIZE:** 102 rooms
 - **ROOM STYLE:** Contemporary
 - **VIBE:** Sophisticated
 - **EXPERIENCES:** City Life, Landmarks, Local Immersion

July 13, Athens - Day 1 Trip Details:

- **Taxi Transfer to King George Hotel (45 minutes)**
- **Suggested locations to visit:**
 - Plaka Neighborhood
 - The Acropolis and Its Surroundings
- **Dinner** at the King George rooftop restaurant, overlooking the Acropolis

July 14, Athens - Day 2 Trip Details:

- **Private Transfer to Athens Airport (1 hour)**
- **Flight to Chicago (ATH - ORD)**

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