

# SENECA VALLEY HS PARIS-MADRID-BARCELONA 9 day/ SPRING 2009 \$ 2 499.00

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Day-1. **BALTIMORE-PARIS:** Overnight flight to Europe.

Day-2. **PARIS:** Arrive in Paris and transfer to your hotel. After a short break, start with a guided city tour to see some of the main Parisian monuments: the **Eiffel Tower**, **Place de la Concorde**, adorned with sumptuous fountains, statuary and the 3300 year old Obelisk from the Temple of Luxor, **Notre Dame Cathedral**, **Champs Elysees**, the world's most famous avenue, **Arc de Triomphe**, commissioned in 1806 by Napoleon in honor of the French military victories, **Les Invalides**, a regal commission of Louis XIV from 1671, and **La Defense**.

Day-3. **PARIS:** Visit the **Louvre**, one of the most famous museums in the world with a large collection of sculptures and paintings, including a smiling **Mona Lisa** by **Leonardo da Vinci**, the **Venus de Milo**, and the **Winged Victory of Samothrace**. Later, join your Tour Director on a walking tour to **Basilica Sacre Coeur** and then have fun exploring **Montmartre**, the artistic part of Paris with numerous artists, souvenir shops, and crepe outlets. See paris at night from Bateaux Mouches cruise on Seine.

Day-4. **PARIS-VERSAILLES-NIGHT TRAIN:** Go to to Versailles by local transportation to visit the lavish palace of

**Louis XIV**, the “**Sun King**.” This former small hunting lodge is today one of the most beautiful palaces in the world. Visit the **Royal Apartments**, **Hall of Mirrors**, and the **Royal Bedrooms**. Walk the gardens and see the Grand and Petite Trianon. Transfer to the train station for a night sleeper train to Barcelona.

Day-5. **BARCELONA:** City tour of Barcelona. See this historical capital of Catalonia with some of it's landmarks: **Gothic Quarter**, the former fortified Roman village with numerous Gothic monuments, the **Cathedral**, dating from the 14th and 15th centuries, the wonderful **Church of the Sacred Family** and the **Columbus lookout**, a 50 meter iron column supporting the statue of the discoverer of America. Continue to Sitges for the overnight.

Day-6. **SITGES:** Free day in **Sitges**. Enjoy the beach and the shops or go back to Barcelona by local transportation.

Day-7. **BARCELONA -MADRID:** Transfer to train station for a ride to Madrid. Start with a guided city tour. See/Visit: **Retiro Park**, **Puerta del Sol**, Gateway to the Sun, kilometer zero from which all of Spain's road distances are measured, the **Opera**, **Plaza Mayor**, **Plaza de la Villa**, the **Basilica de San Miguel**, **Capilla del Obispo**, the only Gothic temple in Madrid and **Palacio Real**. Then visit **Prado Museum**, housing masterpieces by **Velasquez**, **Goya**, **Murillo**, and **Ribera** as well as works by Flemish and Italian artists.

Day-8. **MADRID:- AVILA** Travel to **Avila** in the Madriden countryside, a great town surrounded by walls and towers. It was also the the home of **Saint Theresa**. Before entering the city, stop at **Quatro Postes**, a viewpoint that allows visitors to see how the city is encompassed by it's wall. Continue on to **Segovia**. Stop and visit this city, which was the center of the old kingdom of **Castile**. View its impressive **Alcazar** as well as the 2000 years old **Roman Aqueduct**, which is 30 meters high and over 900 meters long.

Day-9. **DEPARTURE:** Transfer to the airport for your return flight.

**NO MEMBERSHIP FEE AND NO WEEKEND SURCHARGE**



## FEATURES:

Round trip airfare  
6 nights in hotels  
1 night sleeper train  
1 day train  
6 buffet breakfasts  
6 dinners  
Guided city tours of Paris, Madrid and Barcelona  
5 walking tours  
Entrances to: Guided Louvre Museum, Versailles with earphones, Eiffel Tower, Gaudi Village, Guided Palacio Real, Guided Prado Museum, Guided Avila Castle and Bateaux Mouches  
All transfers

Mariden tour director

**Price: \$ 2 499.00**

per person in triple accomm..

**PRICE IS BASED ON 1:6  
TEACHER/STUDENT RATIO,  
WITH 25 PAID PARTICIPANTS  
AND YOUR OWN BUS + TOUR DIRECTOR**

## Adult surcharge:

in triple accomm: \$30.00 per person/night  
in double accomm: \$50.00 per person/night  
in single accomm: \$90.00 per person/night

## Payment Policy:

Down payment: \$ 500.00

Second payment: 50% of the total price

Balance: 100 days prior to departure

**All inclusive insurance** (which includes cancellation, baggage, trip interruption and full medical insurance) will be added to your first payment.

## Price for students \$165.00

### Adults according to the age

If your group or any individuals from your group do not accept this insurance, the group leader must inform Mariden in writing.

### NOT INCLUDED:

Airport taxes, fuel surcharge (approx. \$350.00 per person)

Gratuities (approx. \$40.00 per person)

Lunches, Drinks

Local transportation

Program price may be subject to change due to changes in airfare prices and exchange rates.

**AIRPORT TAX** may be subject to change due to changes in oil prices and will be presented to you as it is sent to us by the airline.

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