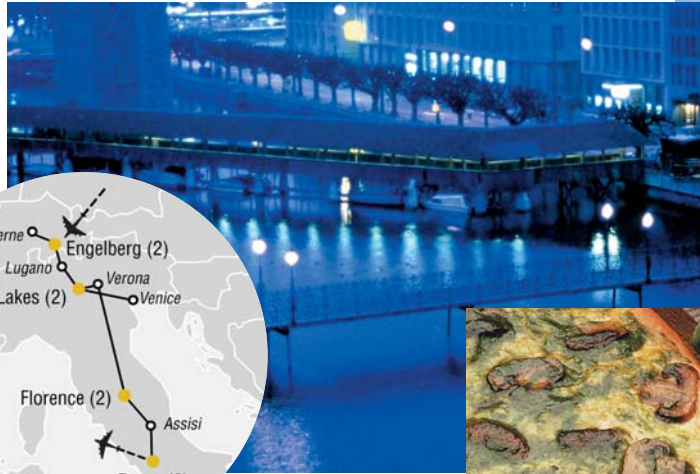


ITALY AND GREECE

# Italy and Switzerland

10 DAYS

Stroll on Lucerne's Kapellbrücke Bridge, fully restored after the 1993 fire.



● OVERNIGHT  
○ VISIT

Florence's *Duomo*, engineered in 1436 using specially invented machines, is considered one of the greatest achievements of the Italian Renaissance.



Pizza originated as a seasoned flat bread made by peasants using wheat flour, olive oil, lard, cheese and natural herbs.

**LEAP! in action.** Learning by Exploring & Actively Participating is NETC's exclusive, enriched learning approach. Carefully designed activities that bring cultural and historical events to life are blended with organized sightseeing and a careful balance of Discovery Time that enables students to explore at their own pace. Students will be fully engaged as active learners in creative and stimulating activities including:

**Swiss Life and Legends!** *Legends of William Tell, the Lion Monument, Swiss "independence" and more come to life as you re-enact episodes in the history of Switzerland.*

**The Great Renaissance Debate!** *Meet six renaissance giants including Giotto, Galileo, and Isabella d'Este, and debate who made the greatest impact on civilization.*

**Cucina Fiorentina!** *Cook up a three-course traditional meal with a local chef using fresh local produce. Get a taste of Tuscan life and zesty flavors! Mangia!*

**Ancient Rome Live!** *Bring the Roman Forum to life as you walk in the footsteps of the Romans to re-enact events from ancient history as well as those in everyday life.*

- 1-2 OVERNIGHT FLIGHT TO EUROPE.** Travel into the Swiss Alps to the Swiss mountain resort of Engelberg.
- 3 LUCERNE.** Join your NETC Tour Director for a walking tour of the picturesque Swiss town of Lucerne, including the Lion Monument, the Jesuit church, and Kornmarkt and Weinmarkt Squares, as well as many quaint covered bridges and city fortifications. Bring it all alive with **Swiss Life and Legends!** Opt to ascend Mt. Pilatus.
- 4 ITALIAN LAKES.** Cross the Italian Alps and journey across the plains of Lombardy to the Italian lakes region. Enjoy a brief stop in Lugano, where densely wooded slopes and sparkling waters delight.
- 5 VENICE.** Full-day excursion to Venice. Appreciate the beauty of this city with a local guide at St. Mark's Cathedral, the Grand Canal, the Doge's Palace, and the Bridge of Sighs.
- 6 TUSCANY.** In Verona, visit the arena and Juliet's house and the famous balcony where the forbidden lovers expressed their heartache. Consider your role carefully in **The Great Renaissance Debate!** The evening offers endless possibilities as you explore Florence.
- 7 FLORENCE.** A local guide shows you the Duomo, Ghiberti's Baptistery doors, the Ponte Vecchio, and the Church of Santa Croce. View Michelangelo's *David* at the Accademia. Tempt your friends tonight with **Cucina Fiorentina!**
- 8 ASSISI.** Visit the beautiful Basilica of St. Francis and study Giotto's 28 stunning frescoes depicting the saint's life. Continue to Rome to explore the Piazza Navona, the Spanish Steps, and the Trevi Fountain, still fed by water from a first century Roman aqueduct.
- 9 ROME.** Visit the Vatican with a local guide to see St. Peter's and the Sistine Chapel. Recapture the past of the "Eternal City" at the Colosseum, the Arch of Constantine, and Trajan's Column. Explore the Roman Forum and play your part in **Ancient Rome Live!**
- 10 RETURN JOURNEY TO THE UNITED STATES,** or add extra days in Rome. Contact your Tour Consultant for details.

#### Additional Educational Activities:

*Mt. Pilatus \$49*

*Extra days in Rome \$229 each*

*Group rates above apply when all group members participate.*

Quality  
with  
Purpose

Educational Travel, designed to...

**INSPIRE:** A life-long passion for exploration & learning

**ENRICH:** Young lives through cultural immersion

**EDUCATE:** Through active participation & discovery

*"Learn to limit yourself; to content yourself with some definite work; dare to be what you are and learn to resign with a good grace all that you are not; and to believe in your own individuality."*

*Henri Frederic Amiel, Swiss philosopher*