



The Arts & Gardens Tour '07

• LONDON • PARIS
• FLORENCE • ROME
May 21- June 5

Accompanied by Floral Artist
Jacqueline Coates

A 16 DAY TOUR TO DELIGHT & INSPIRE
\$8,999 per person

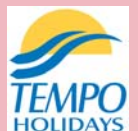
Come with us on a wonderful tour taking in a selection of Europe's best garden displays and art galleries. Travel in comfort staying in centrally located hotels.

Relax knowing your time in Europe has been maximized to include thoughtful highlights including the unforgettable Chelsea Flower Show and special gardens in London, Paris, Florence and Rome. All this and time for yourself as well.

See magnificent paintings at the Tate & the Louvre. Visit Monet's home and gardens at Giverny & Michelangelo's painted ceilings at the Sistine Chapel.

Local guides provide colourful insights whilst Jacqueline brings her appreciation of flowers, painting and gardens. Along the way, try your hand at fun, easy creative activities with Jacqueline, who is an experienced teacher. All materials provided. The only thing left for you to do is enjoy!

- Travel at an enjoyable and leisurely pace
- Free time for independent sightseeing, shopping and relaxation.
- Experience local wine and cuisine.
- Optional art activities with Jacqueline, suitable for beginners.
- Be inspired, invigorated and rejuvenated
- Thoughtful itinerary with delightful diversions.
- Stress free and hassle free.
- Maximise your time away
- Free travel diary ideal for writing, sketching, & collage.



Your Tour Includes

- Return Airfares flying Singapore Airlines Economy Class ex Sydney
- 14 nights accommodation in centrally located superior hotels
- Hotels throughout trip have private bath or shower on twin share basis
- Breakfast daily
- Three dinners ensuring great cuisine experiences in London, Paris and Rome.
- First Class Eurostar tickets from London to Paris.
- Deluxe Air conditioned coach with driver throughout as per itinerary.
- Local Guide in Paris (half day)
- Local Guide in Florence (half day)
- Local Guide in Rome (half day)
- Local Guide at The Vatican (half day)
- Local Guide for The Borghese
- Local Guide Accademia in Florence
- Private guide for the Tate in London and behind the scenes tour.
- Free travel diary
- Art materials & tuition for creative optional & fun creative projects
- Porterage service at all hotels-1 piece of baggage per person.

Admissions for the following

- The Chelsea Flower Show • Sissinghurst
- Great Dixter • The Louvre • Parc de Bagatelle
- Parc des Buttes • American Museum, Giverny
- Domaine de St Jean de Beauregard • Giverny
- Pitti Gardens in Florence • L'Accademia
- The Vatican • Borghese Gardens
- Borghese Gallery

NOT INCLUDED IN THE TOUR

- Passport and Visa fees • International airport and travel taxes
- Travel insurance • Meals and drinks not specified in the itinerary • Items of a personal nature • Sight seeing and general expenses not included in the itinerary. • Additional travel arrangements not in the tour itinerary. These can be quoted for you separately. • Additional costs for connecting domestic flights to Sydney



The Arts and Gardens Tour '07 - Itinerary

S P R I N G T I M E I N E U R O P E

Day 1. Tuesday 22 May '07

ARRIVE LONDON. OPTIONAL RIVER CRUISE TO KEW GARDENS

Upon arrival at Heathrow Airport in the morning you will be transferred to your hotel for an early check in. We realise that some people travel better than others, therefore there is an optional relaxing afternoon cruise down the River Thames from Westminster Pier to leafy Kew Gardens. Return to the hotel late afternoon. Evening at leisure.

Day 2. Wednesday 23 May, '07

CHELSEA FLOWER SHOW & DINNER AT A TOP LONDON RESTAURANT

See the latest in international garden design and landscaping at the world's most famous and revered Flower Show with brilliant displays, millions of blooms, floristry exhibits and tempting trade stands. Return to the hotel with the remainder of the day at leisure.

Regroup for dinner at a top London restaurant.

Get to know your fellow travellers.

Day 3. Thursday 24 May, '07

BEAUTIFUL GARDENS IN KENT & SUSSEX & EVENING FREE

See Vita Sackville West's Sissinghurst; Britain's most famous romantic garden created ingeniously, incorporating 'garden rooms' within ruined castle walls. Complete the day at Great Dixter, the garden of writer Christopher Lloyd. Here you will find many individual and varied gardens within a garden. Return to London and your hotel late this afternoon.

Day 4. Friday 25 May, '07

LONDON, THE TATE GALLERY & FREE TIME TO EXPLORE

Enjoy a private guided tour of the Tate including the chance to go behind the scenes. After the tour there will be time to examine the collections of the Tate at leisure.

This afternoon is free for independent activities.

You may wish to visit the Victoria & Albert Museum or experience the shopping areas of Covent Garden, Kensington or Bond Street.

Optional traditional afternoon tea at L'Orangerie.

Day 5. Saturday 26 May, '07

BREAKFAST IN LONDON, DINE IN PARIS!

This morning board the Eurostar train and travel first class underneath the English Channel to Paris. On arrival take an orientation sightseeing tour viewing the best known sights of Paris including the Eiffel Tower, Champs Elysees, Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame and the Tuileries Gardens. A wonderful Parisian dining experience is included tonight.

Day 6. Sunday 27 May, '07

AN "ARTY" DAY IN PARIS & SOME FREE TIME

Visit a quaint 19th century art supplies shop in the St Germain arrondissement. Its loaded to the gunnels with the fabulous and the unusual, including copper bound paint brushes, enticing

arrays of paints, pastels, canvases and sketch books. If Jacqueline has put you in the mood for art you may be tempted here - a beautiful shop just to enjoy. A stroll over the river Seine brings us to the Louvre, the most famous art museum in the world. The rest of the day is at your leisure. Why not come sketching at the Ile de La Cite, the small island in the middle of the Seine and enjoy the late afternoon light on the world's most romantic city? Or go shopping, take a boat ride or take time to relax even more.

Day 7. Monday 28 May, '07

MONET'S GARDENS, GIVERNY & DOMAINE DE BEAUREGARD

Today we visit the gardens created by Monet at Giverny, situated along the banks of the Seine. These gardens were the inspiration for the famous canvases of water-lilies, weeping willows, the Japanese bridge and wisteria. There will be ample time to picnic and relax, soak in the splendour, browse the small shops of Giverny and visit the American Museum showcasing the works of American Impressionists that came to France to paint. From here visit Domaine de Beau Regard, a castle of the 17th century with an extraordinary two hectare flowered kitchen garden. Evening free.

Day 8. Tuesday 29 May, '07

THE PARKS AND GARDENS OF PARIS & FREE AFTERNOON

Paris has many parks and gardens, large and small. Today see several of these gardens starting with the elegant Parc de Bagatelle, created in 1777 for Marie Antoinette and known for its marvelous rose garden. We also visit historic Parc des buttes. Return to your hotel for a free afternoon.

Day 9. Wednesday 30 May, '07

BREAKFAST IN PARIS, EXPLORE FLORENCE

This morning you will be transferred from your hotel to the airport for your flight to Florence. On arrival enjoy a half day sightseeing tour of Florence, renowned as the birthplace of Italian art and associated with such greats as Michelangelo and Leonardo Da Vinci. Your tour reveals the magnificent Duomo Cathedral, the Palazzo Vecchio and the famous Ponte Vecchio which crosses the Arno and will take you to the Piazzale Michelangelo from where a superb panoramic view of the city can be gained. Settle and relax as we have four nights in this once medieval and magical city. The rest of the day and evening are yours. Go for coffees, sample mouthwatering gelati or shop till you drop.

Day 10. Thursday 31 May, '07

THE PITTI PALACE, FLORENCE & FREE TIME

Today we visit the Pitti Palace. In the grounds of the Pitti Palace are the Boboli Gardens. The Medici bought the Pitti Palace in 1550. The gardens only became famous when they became the property of the Medici. Tribolo, the designer of the Boboli, created a masterpiece of landscape

architecture. His design was used for all the royal gardens in Europe including the Versailles. Jacqueline will bring sketching materials in case you are in the mood. The rest of the day is yours. Enjoy the dilemma of choosing where to eat for dinner. Soak up the ambience and the local cuisine, and the evening parade of beautifully dressed locals.

Day 11. Thursday 1 June, '07

ENJOY THE ART OF THE ACCADEMIA FLORENCE

This morning enjoy a guided tour of the Accademia. After the tour there will be time to explore the museum at leisure. Afternoon for independent activities. Optional art activity with Jacqueline basing ourselves at an atmospheric bar or café. Your correspondence can be a work of art to be framed later. Wax lyrical over a glass of wine. Create fun postcards to send home. Jacqueline will bring all materials for no mess action!

Day 12. Friday 2 June '07

A DAY TO PLEASE YOURSELF

Today has been set aside for you to fit in other delights of your choosing. There is an optional tour to the Uffizi Gallery. Florence is famous for leather, linen and lace, shoes and fashion. Pucci, Gucci, Prada, Ferragamo and Armani all have major fashion boutiques here as does Sergio Rossi for shoes. Make a day of exploring on foot the many historic piazzas and ancient churches. Soak it up as tomorrow we leave for Rome!

Day 13. Saturday 3 June, '07

BREAKFAST IN FLORENCE & VISIT THE VATICAN IN ROME

Travel from Florence to Rome by touring coach. On arrival, transfer to the Vatican for a tour that includes the Vatican Museum and Sistine Chapel, with Michelangelo's beautiful painted ceiling. The rest of the day is yours to explore this magnificent city.

Day 14. Sunday 4 June, '07

FROM THE ROMAN EMPIRE TO THE VIA VENETO & FAREWELL DINNER

Once the capital of a great empire, Rome retains much of its grandeur. This morning enjoy a sightseeing tour of the city including the Roman Forum and the Colosseum and the chic Via Veneto and Piazza Navone, the Spanish steps and of course the Trevi fountain. In the afternoon visit the Borghese Gallery at the Villa Borghese Pinciana, a former villa housing a substantial collection of paintings, sculpture and antiquities begun by Cardinal Scipione Borghese, the nephew of Pope Paul V. The Borghese Gardens cover one third of Northern Rome and include a 17th century Italian Garden. Sketching opportunity for those interested. Regroup for a wonderful meal which is our farewell dinner.

Day 15. 5th June, '07

DEPARTING ROME

Breakfast in Rome then transfer to the airport for our flight home. Tissues anyone?



About Your Tour Leader Jacqueline

Jacqueline Coates is a painter who grew up in Clareville, Sydney and the Mornington Peninsula in Victoria. She now lives in a stone barn she has renovated on the edge of the Barossa and Clare Valleys, teaching interstate and in Wellington, New Zealand.

Jacqueline loves to paint, garden, cook, write, exhibit and inspire others where appropriate. Jacqueline is known for her compassionate, easy, encouraging approach to art for beginners. Her enthusiasm, thoughtfulness and hospitable tendencies will ensure that your trip is enjoyable. You can count on Jacqueline to seek out unscheduled magic throughout the trip.

Simple, fun and optional creative exercises have been devised for those nurturing the artist in you. No preparation is required in order to participate. Materials will be provided.

With Spring in Europe, the gardens are putting on their best show for the trip.

View Jacqueline's work, exhibition dates and workshops at her website www.jacquelinecoates.com or phone Jacqueline to request a brochure of her paintings or with any queries you may have regarding the trip. She will be delighted to hear from you. 08 8566 3827 Mobile 0412 587 438.



About Your Travel Experts

Robert Thornberry owns his own Travelscene American Express Travel Agency in Orange, NSW. He has coordinated many successful tours to Italy and other exotic locations. His passion for travel is matched by his desire to create a safe, secure and fantastic travel service for his clients.

Natalie Campbell has worked as a co-ordinator in both the film world and travel industry before opening her own Travelscene American Express Travel Agency in Mornington, Victoria so she knows all about the importance of attention to detail. Natalie has also organized many tours herself so is familiar with what makes a tour comfortable and enjoyable.



The Advantages of a Group Tour

- No need to waste precious holiday or pre-holiday time sorting out how to get from A to B, worrying about driving on the wrong side of the road or navigating unfamiliar territories
- Our trip is relaxing and stress free
- Feel secure in the knowledge your trip has been planned & booked by travel experts
- You are in great company
- Make some new friends
- Make enormous savings
- The tour cost is approximately 30% less than if you booked it individually
- Plenty of free time as well as arranged tours and visits to the most inspiring places
- A helpful artist on hand should you require help or advice with creative ideas of your own.



How to Book Your Place

There is a maximum of twenty places available on the trip.

All you need is a deposit of \$1,000 which can be paid to Robert or Natalie by credit card, cash or cheque. You can use the booking form provided or simply phone on the contact numbers listed below. We require the balance of \$7,999 by March 10, 2007. Why not part pay in smaller instalments up until this date?

FREE PRINT ON CANVAS FOR EARLY BIRD BOOKINGS

The first ten bookings will receive a 20cm square print on canvas from Jacqueline Coates Studio worth \$75, once they have completed payments.

All other bookings will receive complimentary gift cards from Jacqueline's range.

Bookings Robert Thornberry Phone 02 6362 6733 Fax 02 63624666

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Terms and Conditions.

INCLUSIONS: • Tour Escort - Jacqueline Coates • Economy Class International Airfares with Singapore Airlines.
• Transfers as specified in tour itinerary on group departure / return dates only. • Tempo Holidays contract hotels or similar with private bath or shower, hotel taxes, portage for one suitcase per person, tips and service charges - Twin share basis. • Meals as indicated on the itinerary. • Services of a private first class, air-conditioned motor coach and driver whilst on tour. • First class Eurostar rail service from London to Paris.
DEPOSITS: A non refundable deposit of \$1000.00 per person is required at time of booking.
FINAL PAYMENT: March 10, '07
CONDITIONS: Costs for this tour are based on a minimum 20 people travelling. However this tour will operate with a minimum of 15 people travelling, and will be rebooked if this occurs (maximum additional cost will be \$200 per person). Cancellation charges apply. Notice of all cancellations must be made in writing to Travelscene Orange. Schedule of cancellation fees as follows: • Deposit Non refundable *up to 75 days prior 25% *75 - 30 Days Prior 50%. *29 days - day of departure 100%. • A fee of \$110.00 per person applies for any revisions or an alteration made to a reservation after the booking is confirmed. All requests for alterations or revisions must be made in writing to Travelscene Orange. • Travel Insurance is compulsory - Please advise us if you are over 70 years of age, or if you have a pre-existing illness, or visited your doctor in the past 60 days. • Prices and itineraries are subject to change or alteration in line with currency

fluctuations and tour and airline price increases. • All costs are based on payment made by cash or cheque. Payments made by credit card will incur a surcharge. • Visa, MasterCard or bankcard 1%, Diners Card 2% • Single rooms are available at an additional cost of \$1695.00. • NOT INCLUDED: All airport, airline, security and departure taxes and charges. All taxes are subject to change until a booking is confirmed and all monies paid in full, passport, vaccinations, beverages, meals not specified, phone calls, laundry, mini bar, optional excursions, sightseeing tours other than specified in itinerary, portage at airports, excess baggage fees (Airline or Tour), any extensions, any additional visas, and all other items of a personal nature and Travel insurance.

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EXTENSIONS: Extensions & extra tours are available - please contact Robert at Travelscene Orange for options.