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Classics & Ancient History Experiences

2012/13



There's no substitute for being there. That's why, since 1967, we've been helping to create tours which educate, inspire and enable children to develop a sense of independence.

If you want to deliver the most effective learning outside the classroom experience for your group, choose NST. For 45 years, our expertly planned tours have supported teachers in getting the very most out of their time away.

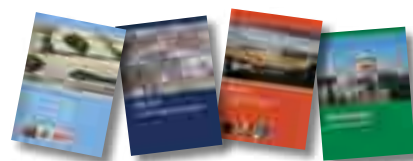




What You Can Expect in 2012/13

Education All the Way

For a study visit that delivers the curriculum, our Educational Resource Packs developed by our Classics Advisor, Gill Greef, are ideal for use before, during and after your tour. They focus on the classical relevance of key sites to really enhance your group's tour, and also act as a pre-visit planning aid to make tour preparation easier for you.



Expert Guides

With our guided options you'll get in-depth destination knowledge as well as practical support. Your guide will enable you to get more benefit from your time outside the classroom, and you'll have the opportunity for one-to-one teaching also.

Tried & Tested Itineraries

We've featured a range of itinerary packages within this brochure that have been tried and tested by Classics & Ancient History school groups. Many of these itinerary packages contain everything you'll need for a complete tour, including your guide and visit options, so the prices you see are realistic with no hidden extras once you've booked.

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Teacher feedback

"Everything was superb. It all ran extremely smoothly. The balance was perfect between fun, relaxation & educational content. Pupils absolutely loved the whole experience from beginning to end. Thanks very much to NST for a fantastic trip."

M Critchley, Tour to Italy, June 2011



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There's now more information than ever before on our website!

Tailor-Made for You

Because we've worked with school groups for 45 years, we understand what goes into planning an educational tour. That's why we can create an expertly planned, tailor-made itinerary which fits your needs precisely.

Expertly Planned Every Time

With NST, you'll get your own dedicated Educational Tour Co-ordinator. They'll use their unrivalled destination knowledge and experience to create an itinerary for you that:

- ✓ meets your learning objectives
- ✓ offers the right balance of activities every day with realistic timings
- ✓ contains everything you need, from pre-arranged visits, to tickets, passes & meals

To get started with your tour planning, simply take a look at the suggested itineraries in this brochure for inspiration - but we'll build yours from scratch to meet your exact needs. What's more, you'll receive your final itinerary a full four weeks before you travel too.

Flexible Transport Options

Executive Coaches

Available from any location in the UK and fitted with seatbelts, toilet facilities, air conditioning, DVD and reclining seats.

Channel Crossings

We can arrange a number of ferry and Eurotunnel crossings. Plus, you can now pre-purchase food vouchers from NST for use in various onboard outlets on a number of ferry crossings - so you won't need to carry cash for food en-route.

Rail

A convenient travel option for small groups, ideal for connections to Eurostar, major airports and travel to many city destinations.

Flights

We can arrange for your group to fly from a range of UK airports and we'll work with you to plan your route at the best value possible. We can also secure your seats on any airline with an initial deposit of only £60pp to European destinations.

An NST representative will also meet you at your UK departure airport and help you at check-in.

Plus, if you book a coach transfer to take you home, upon landing at your UK airport you'll be met by an NST representative who'll escort you through immigration, baggage claim and customs, then take you to your waiting coach.





Staying There

At NST, we offer the widest choice of group friendly accommodation to suit different ages, budgets and preferences – selected for its value and experience in looking after the needs of school groups. You can now download full accommodation descriptions on our website too.

School-Friendly Accommodation

We understand that every group has different needs, so whether you have a specific location, budget or other preference in mind, it's likely that we've got an accommodation option to suit you.

NEW! Downloadable Accommodation Descriptions

On our website you'll find details of our most popular accommodation options in each of our school tour destinations. You can now download full accommodation descriptions by visiting nstgroup.co.uk and selecting your subject and destination. We've only featured a small sample of our entire range. So, for expert advice that's tailored to your exact needs, speak to one of our Educational Travel Advisors today.



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Safe in Our Hands

We've been totally committed to providing the highest possible standards for safety and financial security since 1967. Our approach to safety management will offer the reassurance we know is of utmost importance to both you and to parents.

Quality Assured



NST is an Assured Member of the School Travel Forum (STF), an awarding body for the prestigious Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge and the benchmark provider for good school tours. Our systems and procedures are fully audited annually by independent experts. For your protection, our Safety Management System covers:



- ✓ 24 hour emergency cover
- ✓ Audited accommodation & transport
- ✓ Excursions & visit assessment
- ✓ Group Leader preview

This means that you can book your trip with confidence, meet your due diligence and reduce the amount of external provider paperwork necessary. We can also assist you with your own risk assessments by providing inspection visits and a practical guidance booklet to save you valuable time.



The Outdoor Education Advisors Panel (OEAP) endorses the Quality Badge and requests local authorities to recommend the use of badged providers.

Preview Visits

To be sure you're getting exactly the right tour before you travel, you'll qualify for a two night complimentary stay* for two people in your chosen destination. You'll be able to try out your chosen accommodation and confidently complete your own risk assessments.

Financial Protection



You'll have financial protection from the moment you book to your safe return with NST because we are fully bonded through ABTA and ATOL. This is the best way for you to protect parents' money and give yourself peace of mind. And don't forget - if you book direct with the airline, you may not be covered.

Teacher feedback

"As a teacher responsible for the safety of 41 pupils, it was great knowing I had people at NST that I could 100% rely on. This was the first time that we had arranged an overseas trip and I felt at ease asking what might seem like trivial questions - but by the quality of the support offered, we felt organised and confident with what we were doing."

Mr Graham Parry, Hamilton Grammar School



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* Terms & conditions apply. See page 31 for details.





Value All the Way

We know that in today's economic climate it can be difficult to get the numbers you need to run a school trip. With this in mind, we've made some changes and now any size of group can take advantage of our Early Booking Discount and our Loyalty Reward. So you'll be able to take advantage of additional savings from your first consecutive year of travel – and that applies to stays as short as one night too.

Early Booking Discount & Loyalty Reward

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European Destinations

Early Booking Discount

Save £10_{pp}

when you book by
31st May 2012

+

Loyalty Reward

Save £5_{pp}

from your first
consecutive year of
travel onwards

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Save up to
£15_{pp}

Free Places

We offer a generous free place ratio of 1 in 10 for air travel and 1 in 8 for coach travel to Europe and UK.

Large Group Discount

£4_{pp} discount for groups of 42 paying passengers (per coach) taking a coach-based tour outside the UK or 40 paying passengers travelling by air.

Design Tour Clothing for Your Group!

If you'd like to create a clothing design for students to wear on their tour, now you can with NST! Personalised, professionally-made sweatshirts, polo shirts and t-shirts are a great way to build excitement and will be a special memento of your tour experience. Plus, branded clothing makes it easier to identify group members whilst you're out and about too. Speak to your Educational Tour Co-ordinator for more details.



Terms & conditions apply. See page 31 for details.







Rome & Bay of Naples

Our most popular
Classics itinerary

including visits
6 days from £459^{PP}

Students taking this two-centre package gain a valuable insight into life in both Rome and the outlying regions that supplied the city. They will compare the lives of Romans, from Emperors and Senators through to Legionaries, farmers and slaves. As these regions are only a few hours apart, Rome and the Bay of Naples has become our most popular package destination for Classics groups studying Roman life.



Our Consultant's Comment

Gill Greef

By combining a visit to the epicentre of the Roman Empire with a stay in the beautiful and historical Bay of Naples, students can examine the sheer size of the political and religious monuments of Rome and the view of daily life in Pompeii and Herculaneum. There is so much on offer for Classics students.

Recommended with
NST Local Guides

Rome - Key Educational Visits

The Colosseum NST group favourite

Who can resist a visit to the Colosseum? The world's largest surviving structure of Roman antiquity with its grandeur, wonders of construction and the horrors of the amphitheatre. Our guide will truly set the scene and leave students in awe.

LOWER PRICE when providing school tour details on school headed paper

Palatine Hill

The most central of the Seven Hills of Rome is one of the most ancient parts of the city. See the ruins of the Imperial Palaces and the Hut of Romulus, as well as a great view of the Circus Maximus. Explore the pleasant gardens or see vibrant frescos in the recently opened house of Augustus.

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Roman Forum Highly recommended

The oldest and most important structures of the ancient city are located here, including the temple of Saturn and the complex of the Vestal Virgins. Imagine Cicero or Mark Anthony walking to the Senate House or Rostra and picture Pliny in the Centumviral court.

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Pantheon

Built as a temple to all the gods and rebuilt circa 126AD during Hadrian's reign, it's still in use today. A marvel of Roman engineering and, until the middle of the 20th century, the largest masonry dome built.

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Rome - More Key Educational Visits

Guided Vatican City Tour Highly recommended

Somehow a visit to Rome is not quite complete without a visit to St Peter's Basilica or the Sistine Chapel. A visit through the Vatican Museums, accompanied by the required local guide, will also provide your group with the chance to see some of the world's finest examples of Greek sculpture and vase painting.

Capitoline Museum

Situated on the top of the Capitoline Hill, this fabulous museum houses an excellent collection of Roman statues, inscriptions and other artefacts.

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The Catacombs

On the outskirts of the City lie these ancient burial grounds of the early Christians. A local guide is provided on this underground tour.

Ostia Antica

The harbour city of ancient Rome is 20 miles out of the city but is a fascinating visit. Students love to explore the extensive remains of the Roman town and often prefer it to Pompeii and Herculaneum. Combine with a visit to the Catacombs or an evening visit to nearby Time City.

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Tivoli

Visit the fountains of the Villa d'Este gardens, but more importantly the Emperor Hadrian's villa, whose expansive ruins are full of interest.

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Parco Leonardo Shopping Mall

Shop, go bowling, play arcade machines and enjoy a meal.



Bay of Naples - Key Educational Visits

Pompeii NST group favourite

The preserved town of Pompeii has it all - houses, thermopolia, temples, baths, theatres, amphitheatre, palaestra and a forum. A unique chance to study 'City Life in Roman Italy' or to spend a day being a real "Roman" exploring the streets of the town buried by Vesuvius' 79AD eruption.

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Herculaneum Highly recommended

Better preserved than Pompeii, its smaller scale is more impactful and preferred by many students. Some of the houses still have their wooden shutters, upper storeys and metal grilles over the windows making it visually ideal for studying 'City Life in Roman Italy'.

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Vesuvius

After the short walk from the coach park to the rim of this magnificent active crater, your alpine guide* will tell your group about the volcano's most famous eruption while your students admire the incredible view of the region.

Naples Archaeological Museum

This fascinating museum contains wonderful exhibits including Roman mosaics (the Alexander mosaic and others from the House of the Faun), wall paintings and Greek sculpture (Doryphoros and the Tyrannicides). A valuable additional visit en route to or from the airport.

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Solfatara

Solfatara's tectonic activity makes it feel and smell much more like a volcano than Vesuvius. The Romans thought the entrance to the Underworld was located in this area and a visit will help students understand why.

Paestum

Visit the site of three of the best-preserved Greek temples in the world. This visit provides a great opportunity to explore the development of Doric architecture, a Roman town and a museum with one of the earliest examples of Greek panel painting.

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Cumae

Cumae contains the long echoing cave of the Sibyl visited by Aeneas (even if only in legend). Visit the Acropolis and the entrance to a tunnel built by Agrippa around 38BC to join his harbour in Lake Avernus to the sea.

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Capri

Students can take a guided tour of the island of Capri, including a visit to Ana Capri, a walking tour of the Gardens of Augustus and the Palace of Tiberius, a must for all Classical fanatics. Groups access the island by ferry or hydrofoil, which NST can pre-book and pre-pay.

Naples Underground Tour & Museum New addition

There is an entire underground city below Naples - a series of ancient aqueducts that were eventually shut down and used as a bomb shelter during World War II. You can go down a square flight of steps put in place by Mussolini leading down 40m into an actual air raid shelter. The museum is in a huge underground sandstone quarry and contains incredible artifacts and objects found during more than 50 years of exploring the labyrinth beneath Naples.

*Payable locally

Other Visits & Attractions

Rome

- **Time Elevator** - a great evening activity in the centre of Rome. Take a journey through the development of Rome and experience multi sensorial effects as you watch panoramic screens.
- **Rome by night** - take a guided tour by coach or a guided walk with our Head Guide Richard, or one of his team to see the sights of Rome by night.
- **Spanish Steps** - take a group photo at this popular evening visit.
- **Trevi Fountain** - groups are always keen to take in this spectacular site and walk the surrounding streets.

Bay of Naples

- **Oplontis** - an excellent visit with the supposed villa of the family of Poppaea, the second wife of Nero.
- **Olive & Lemon Farm & Mill** - take a guided walking tour of the farm and working mill, see a cheese making demonstration with samples and enjoy and a complimentary pizza and soft drink.
- **Amalfi Coast Drive** - a beautiful scenic drive, where a ribbon of road clings tightly to steep rugged cliffs interspersed with picturesque towns.
- **Pozzuoli** - the well preserved amphitheatre here is on a smaller scale than the Colosseum in Rome, but better demonstrates the human aspect of the arena.

Guides

Rome: Richard, our expert Head Guide, is English and has many years of experience guiding NST groups in Rome. He has a great understanding of the curriculum and an excellent rapport with students and will really bring the history of the sites to life.



Highly recommended at:

- ✓ The Colosseum
- ✓ Roman Forum
- ✓ Vatican City and more

Bay of Naples: One of our Local Guide's can accompany you on visits to all key Classical sites, and help students visualise life in Roman times. Our guides will also use their knowledge of the area to showcase many hidden gems.

Highly recommended at:

- ✓ Pompeii
- ✓ Herculaneum
- ✓ Vesuvius
- ✓ Solfatara
- ✓ Capri

Educational Resource Pack



Classical Resource Pack for Rome & the Bay of Naples

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Visit nstgroup.co.uk for more information on Art & Design tours to Rome and Geography tours to the Bay of Naples.

We'll build your itinerary from scratch!
Simply choose your dates, then select your preferred visits and accommodation.

Take a look at this popular option...



Inclusive Rome & Bay of Naples package prices from...

Price (per person) includes: accommodation, return flights, airport transfers in resort & Rome to Sorrento transfer, services of NST City Representative in Rome to assist with check-in & provide 24hr assistance (in Rome), a full day coach excursion in Sorrento, visits shown, extensive group travel insurance & 1 in 10 free place ratio*

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3* Florida / La Ripetta	HB 6/5	£459	£495	£509

	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Day 1	Daytime flight & transfer to accommodation, check-in assistance from NST City Representative		Evening meal Overnight: Rome
Day 2	Optional visits: explore the Roman Forum, Colosseum, Piazza de Popolo, church of Santa Maria de Popolo, the Via del Corso, Keats-Shelley Memorial House, the Spanish Steps, Pantheon & the Trevi Fountain		Evening meal Overnight: Rome
Day 3	Guided visit to the Vatican City, on foot - visits include the Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel & St Peter's Basilica	Free time	Evening meal Overnight: Rome
Day 4	Transfer by coach to Sorrento with en route excursion to Pompeii		Evening meal Overnight: Sorrento area
Day 5	Coach excursion to Herculaneum & Vesuvius (alpine guide payable locally)		Evening meal Disco Overnight: Sorrento area
Day 6	Free time Transfer to airport for return flight to UK		

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Flexible Flight Options

We offer flights from a variety of departure airports. For more information, see page 4. Most groups choose to fly into Rome, then we can arrange a coach transfer to the Bay of Naples, flying home from Naples Airport.

Plus, when you book a coach transfer to take you home, upon landing at your UK airport you'll be met by an NST Representative who'll escort you through immigration, baggage claim and customs, then take you to your waiting coach.

nst Support

NST City Representative - Rome

Our Rome City Representative, Norman, or a member of his team, will meet you on arrival, assist you with hotel check-in, advise you on points of interest and public transport and provide 24-hour emergency assistance.

Eating Out

Rome: We can pre-book your meals at our great group prices to help your itinerary run smoothly. Popular options include: Hard Rock Cafe, Chef Express, La Famiglia Restaurant.

Bay of Naples: We can recommend lunch options located close to the key visit sites of Vesuvius, Pompeii and Solfatara to help your itinerary run smoothly. Most groups choose to stay half board here and eat in the hotel.



Accommodation

Rome

We offer a select range of 3* & 4* accommodation located close to the Termini railway station in Rome, all experienced in dealing with school and college groups and ideally positioned for key visits and popular restaurant choices. On our website you'll find details of our most popular accommodation options including:

- Hotel Archimede
- Hotel Noto
- Hotel Florida

Bay of Naples

On our website you'll find details of our most popular accommodation options including:

- Hotel La Pergola
- Hotel La Ripetta
- Hotel Klein Wien

New! Downloadable Accommodation Descriptions



To download full accommodation descriptions of your preferred choices, simply visit:

nstgroup.co.uk/classics

This is only a sample of our entire range, so for expert advice that's tailored to your exact needs, speak to one of our Educational Travel Advisors today.





Our Expert's Introduction

Whether you are reading a speech of Cicero or studying the building programme of Augustus for A-level, or life in the city for GCSE, a visit to Rome will bring it all to life.

Gill Greef

Single centre

Rome

including visits
4 days from **£355^{PP}**

Only by visiting Rome can you really understand both the splendour and decadence of the city in Roman times. Our single-centre Rome itineraries are tailor-made and will evoke images of spectacular triumphs, gladiatorial combat and passionate senatorial debate.

We'll build your itinerary from scratch!
Simply choose your dates, then select your preferred visits and accommodation.

Take a look at this popular option...



Inclusive Rome package prices from...

Price (per person) includes: accommodation, return flights & airport transfers in resort, services of NST City Representative to assist with check-in & provide 24hr assistance, visits shown, extensive group travel insurance & 1 in 10 free place ratio*

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Hotel Florida	HB	4/3	£355	£379	£399
		5/4	£389	£429	£455

	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Day 1	Daytime flight & transfer to accommodation, check-in assistance from NST Representative		Evening meal at restaurant
Day 2	Recommended visits: . Explore the Roman Forum, Colosseum, church of Santa Maria de Popolo, the Via del Corso, Piazza di Spagna, Keats-Shelley Memorial House, the Spanish Steps, Piazza Barberini & the Trevi Fountain		Evening meal at restaurant
Day 3	Guided visit to the Vatican City, on foot - visits include the Vatican Museum, Sistine Chapel & St Peter's Basilica	Free time	Evening meal at restaurant
Day 4	Free time Transfer to airport for return flight to UK		

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Our Expert's Introduction

A very relevant destination for students on the Cambridge Latin Course, with one of the highlights being Caecilius' house. Students of Classical Civilisation or Ancient History will finally get to walk the streets of Pompeii and feel the brooding power of Mount Vesuvius!

Gill Greef

Single centre

including visits
4 days from £349^{PP}

Bay of Naples

The preserved towns of Pompeii and Herculaneum provide a unique insight into 1st century Roman life, while coastal towns show their strategic importance to both the provision and protection of Rome. Our tailor-made Bay of Naples itineraries provide students with a real insight into life in Roman times.

We'll build your itinerary from scratch!
Simply choose your dates, then select your preferred visits and accommodation.

Take a look at this popular option...



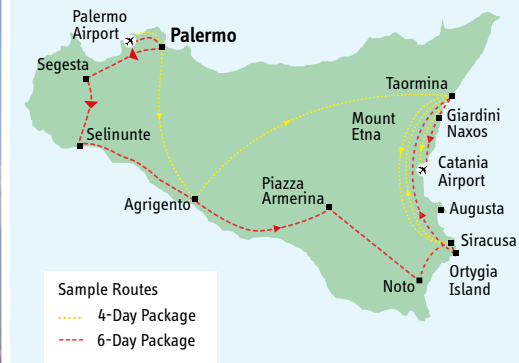
Inclusive Bay of Naples package prices from...

Price (per person) includes: accommodation, return flights & airport transfers in resort, two full days coaching, visits shown, extensive group travel insurance & 1 in 10 free place ratio*

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Hotel La Ripetta	HB	4/3	£349	£375	£393
		5/4	£382	£413	£432
Hotel La Pergola	HB	4/3	£360	£380	£393
		5/4	£397	£420	£432

	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Day 1	Daytime flight & transfer to accommodation		Evening meal
Day 2	Excursion to Pompeii		Evening meal
Day 3	Excursion to Herculaneum & Vesuvius (alpine guide payable locally)		Evening meal
Day 4	Free time Transfer to airport for return flight to UK		

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Sicily

including visits
4 days from £489^{PP}

Until the 20th century, Sicily was the crossroads of the Mediterranean – Carthaginians, Greeks, Romans, Normans and Moors all passed through and left their mark. Our tailor-made itineraries, supported by an accompanying tour guide, will allow students to compare the lifestyles and architectural styles of each of these civilisations.



Gill Greef

Our Expert's Introduction

For students of Greek architecture, Sicily offers some of the best preserved temples; for students of Greek and Ancient History the events of 413BC can be re-lived in a visit to Syracuse, and for students of Latin, nothing can compare to the mosaics of the villa at Piazza Armerina.

Recommended with
 NST Local Guides

Key Educational Visits

Palermo

In this beautiful, historic capital the classical tradition can be followed in the mosaics of the Norman Palatine Chapel and the cathedral of Monreale made by Byzantine craftsmen. Visit the church of San Giovanni degli Eremiti and the Archaeological Museum. A full day local guided option is available.

Segesta NST group favourite

Examine one of the best preserved Greek sites, the unfinished Greek temple, alone on the hillside with its columns still unfluted and lifting bosses still in place. A well-preserved Hellenistic theatre is also here which can be reached via a short shuttle bus ride.

Selinunte NST group favourite

Your group can visit a reconstructed temple here to help visualise the site. The quarries at Rocca di Cusa provide evidence for how stones for the temples were cut from the rock – a fascinating optional visit.

Agrigento

Classicists can examine the remarkable Valley of the Temples. The Archaeological museum set among the remains of Roman and Hellenistic ruins contains one of the giant telamones from the temple of Zeus. A comfortable overnight base before continuing to Noto, Sicily's 'Baroque City'. Our 3-hour local guided option is recommended for specific detail.

Ortygia Island NST group favourite

Visit the Temple of Apollo and view the harbour where the Athenian fleet came to grief in 413BC. The cathedral, originally a temple to the goddess Athena, can also be visited and will show students how a sacred site has developed over time. The Arethusa Fountain is also a popular site for our groups to visit.

More Key Educational Visits

Syracuse

A city rich in Greek history where groups can enjoy a three-hour guided tour. See the archaeological park containing a large Greek theatre, a Roman amphitheatre and some of the ancient quarries where Athenian survivors of the Sicilian expedition were imprisoned. The Ear of Dionysius and Archimedes' tomb can also be visited. A local guided tour option is available.



Guides

Your Touring Guides

Your group will be accompanied throughout your tour by a local English-speaking escort. They will enhance the tour by using their local knowledge to bring the island's history to life and lead the group enabling you to deliver individual learning. At key historical sites, an additional local guide is available to deliver enhanced Classical background to each visit.

Taormina & Giardini Naxos

A medieval town popular with tourists. Visit the Greek theatre reconstructed in the second century AD with its unforgettable view of Mount Etna. Giardini Naxos is a popular seaside resort with many churches and archaeological park where groups like to spend some free time.

Educational Resource Pack



Classical Resource Pack for Sicily

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Inclusive Sicily package prices from...

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Various	HB	4/3	£489	£505	£519
Various	HB	6/5	£509	£535	£549

	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Day 1	Arrive at Palermo Airport	Tour of City and Check-in to accommodation	Evening meal Overnight: Palermo
Day 2	Full day visit to Agrigento and visit the Valley of the Temples		Evening Meal Overnight: Giardini Naxos Area
Day 3	Visit to Siracusa	Visit to town of Taormina	Evening Meal Overnight: Giardini Naxos Area
Day 4	After breakfast visit to Catania before transferring to Catania Airport for flight home.		

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Extend Your Experience

Many groups visiting Sicily choose to extend their stay by taking our 6-day tour or by visiting Mount Etna, Sicily's greatest natural attraction. Call for details on how you can add this to your itinerary.

Flexible Flight Options

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Greece

including visits
4 days from £445^{PP}

This fabulous country is wrapped in mythology and the many temples show the scale of devotion to the gods. Our tailored single and multi-centre packages include historical sites that evoke visions of the debates and addresses that formed democracy and provided a template for modern civilisation.



Gill Greef

Our Expert's Introduction

Socrates debating in the Agora, Pericles addressing the Ekklesia, Euripides in the theatre, the oracle at Delphi or St Paul on the Areopagus – all these come alive on a tour of Greece; and how much more real is the story of Oedipus when you've passed "where three roads meet"!

Recommended with
 Local Guides

Athens - Key Educational Visits

An essential part of any tour of Greece for Classics students is Athens. The Acropolis will be your focus, but try not to miss the view across the valley from the Monument of Philopappos – it's well worth the extra climb!

The Acropolis NST group favourite

No visit to Athens is complete without a visit to the Acropolis to see the Parthenon, the symbol of classical Greece, as well as the Erechtheum. Explore the Acropolis Archaeological Museum and take in the spectacular view from the Acropolis of the Theatre of Dionysos, the first stone theatre ever built. Take our three hour guide and coach walking tour to see all this as well as The Sanctuary of Zeus and Hadrian's Arch.

National Archaeological Museum NST group favourite

The most important archaeological museum in Greece has a vast range of exhibits. Introduce Greek sculpture or examine it in depth, use scenes from Greek vases to illuminate daily life or mythology or study the skills of the craftsmen of the Mycenaean world. Also see the golden mask of Agamemnon.

The Agora

Take a close look at the Temple of Hephaestus, and visit the museum which provides evidence of politics and daily life in ancient Athens. This is a fascinating place for archaeologists to explore and a place to walk in the footsteps of Socrates, Pericles, Cleon and more Classical figures.

Aegina Island

Take a cruise to the Island of Aegina. Here, your group can spend time visiting the Temple of Aphaea dedicated to the Greek Goddess. A separate full day cruise of the islands Aegina and Poros is also available. An ideal excursion for students studying the art and architecture unit of the A-level syllabus.

Athens - More Key Educational Visits

Kerameikos Cemetery & Museum

Here among the ruins of the Sacred Way and the Sacred and Dipylon Gate, archaeology students will be in their element. In the museum, Classicists can marvel at the grave monument of Dexileos and a recently discovered early kouros.

A Day in Delphi

Our four day Athens itinerary includes a coach excursion to Delphi with a local site guide.

Other Visits & Attractions

- Hadrian's Arch & Temple of Olympian Zeus
- Museum of Cycladic Art
- Former Royal Palace
- Evzon Guards
- Plaka Area



Visiting Other Key Towns & Cities

On leaving Athens there are a number of important towns and cities that can be incorporated into a touring itinerary. Your touring guide will help you make the most out of your time away.

Delphi Day trip option from Athens available

Climb up the Sacred Way past the Treasuries and the Temple of Apollo to the stadium - a must for students studying Greek religion. The museum contains the 'Charioteer' and the sculpture of the Siphnian Treasury. Imagine the Oracle where people came to have questions about the future answered.

Olympia NST group favourite

The sculptures and artefacts in the Olympia Archaeological museum help recreate the tumbled columns of the Temple of Zeus within the Altis (the Sanctuary of Zeus), a fascinating place to explore. Don't miss the famous Hermes and the infant Dionysos statue here either. Students can also visit the Olympic Games Museum and Stadium site, venue of the first recorded Olympic Games in 776BC which is always of great interest.

Mycenae

Mythology brought to life! Pass through the Lion Gate and climb to the palace in the footsteps of Agamemnon, the leader of the Greeks at Troy. Archaeology is made real here in the Treasury of Atreus and shaft graves. Mycenae is an ideal visit when en route to Tolon from Olympia.

Tolon

Tolon is the ideal centre for visiting the sites of the Argolid and a pleasant place to relax after a day spent sightseeing - a seaside resort.

Traditional Greek Night, Tolon NST group favourite

Enjoy an evening of Greek culture with some traditional folk dancing at your hotel in Tolon which includes a soft drink and Greek sweet for each member of your group. A popular optional extra, after your evening meal.

Mystra

A great deserted, fortified Byzantine city overlooking the valley of the Eurotas. Here groups like to climb to the walls of the Frankish Castle, built in 1245.

Sparta

Once the dominant military power in Greece. Students enjoy exploring the city and visiting the Tomb of Leonidas. The broad fertile valley of the Eurotas makes it easier to understand the success of the Spartans.

Key En Route Visits

To break the journey up between the cities there are a number of fascinating sights that can be incorporated into a touring itinerary.

Epidaurus

A chance to see the best example of a Greek theatre (not transformed by the Romans), and test its perfect acoustics. The Sanctuary of Asklepios, a famous healing centre of the ancient world, is also worth exploring.

Tiryns World Heritage Site

In Mycenaean times Tiryns stood by the sea, commanding the coastal approaches to Argos and Mycenae. On a small scale and easy to understand it provides a great site for archaeology students to study a Mycenaean palace and Cyclopean walls. The store rooms are particularly worth seeing.

The Ancient Corinth

A popular stop en route to or from Athens. Students enjoy exploring the ruins of the once-great Roman city with its marketplace and shops overlooked by the archaic Greek temple of Apollo and the towering fortress of Acrocorinth. The well-preserved remains and the Archaeological Museum on the site help visualise the city as it was.





Ossios Loukas

The peace of the monastery at Ossios Loukas, one of the most impressive examples of Middle Byzantine art and architecture, provides a welcome break on the journey from Athens to Delphi.

Guides

Local On-site Guide

At key historical sites, an additional local guide is available to deliver enhanced Classical background to each visit.

Highly recommended at:  The Acropolis  Delphi  Olympia
 National Archaeological Museum

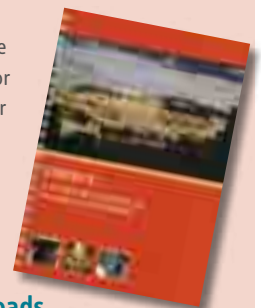
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4 day inclusive Athens package prices from...

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	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Day 1	Daytime flight & escorted transfer to accommodation		Evening meal
Day 2	3-hour guided orientation coach tour of Athens including stops at the Acropolis, Hadrian's Gate & the Sanctuary of Zeus	Free time for independent shopping or exploration Optional visit to the National Archaeological Museum	Evening meal Free time to explore Athens
Day 3	Guided coach excursion to Delphi - walk the Sacred Way to reach the Temple of Apollo, site of the Oracle of Delphi Optional complimentary stop en route at the Ossios Loukas Monastery		Evening meal
Day 4	Time permitting, optional visit to Agora & the Temple of Hephaistos Transfer to airport for return flight to UK		

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Erechtheion. Photographer: Dorena WM

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6 day inclusive Greece package prices from...

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Various	HB	6/5	£519	£555	£565

	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Day 1	Daytime flight & escorted transfer to accommodation		Evening meal Overnight: Athens
Day 2	3-hour guided orientation coach tour of Athens including stops at the Acropolis, Hadrian's Gate & the Sanctuary of Zeus	Free time to explore Athens & discover the Royal Palace with its Evzon Guards. Optional visit to the National Archaeological Museum.	Evening meal Exploration of the Plaka area Overnight: Athens
Day 3	Free time in Athens Transfer by coach to Delphi with optional complimentary en route stop at the Ossiou Loukas Monastery		Evening meal Exploration of Delphi Overnight: Delphi
Day 4	Visit to Delphi	Transfer by coach to Olympia - travel across the Peloponnese crossing the Rion-Antirion bridge en route	Evening meal Exploration of Olympia Overnight: Olympia
Day 5	Visit to the Ancient Olympic Games Museum & Stadium, the Sanctuary of Zeus & Archaeological Museum Travel by coach across the Peloponnese to Mycenae, city of King Agamemnon Continue to Tolon		Evening meal Overnight: Tolon
Day 6	Return to Athens by coach with en route visits to Tiryns, Epidaurus & the Ancient Corinth Transfer to airport for return flight to UK		

See map on p20 for route details

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Olympic Stadium. Photographer: Adam Sofen

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8 day inclusive Greece package prices from...

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Various	HB	8/7	£619	£655	£665

	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Day 1	Daytime flight & escorted transfer to accommodation		Evening meal Overnight: Athens
Day 2	3-hour guided orientation coach tour of Athens including stops at the Acropolis, Hadrian's Gate & the Sanctuary of Zeus	Free time to explore Athens & discover the Royal Palace with its Evzon Guards. Optional visit to the National Archaeological Museum.	Evening meal Exploration of the Plaka area Overnight: Athens
Day 3	Transfer by coach to Delphi with optional complimentary en route stop at the Ossios Loukas Monastery		Evening meal Exploration of Delphi Overnight: Delphi
Day 4	Visit to Delphi	Transfer by coach to Olympia - travel across the Peloponnese crossing the Rion-Antirion bridge en route	Evening meal Exploration of Delphi Overnight: Olympia
Day 5	Visit the Ancient Olympic Games Museum, Olympic site, Modern Museum & Stadium, & the Sanctuary of Zeus & Archaeological Museum	Travel across the Peloponnese to Mystra Depending on time & season, visit the tomb of Leonidas Continue to Sparta	Evening meal Overnight: Sparta
Day 6	Travel by coach across the Peloponnese to Mycenae, city of King Agamemnon Optional visit to the Tomb Agamemnon with its Royal Tombs & the Lions Gate Visit to Tiryns	Arrive Tolon Free time	Evening meal Overnight: Tolon
Day 7	Visit to Epidaurus	Visit to Nafplion	Evening meal Overnight: Tolon
Day 8	Free time in Athens Transfer to airport for return flight to UK		

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Hadrian's Arch. Photographer: Ms Anthia

Accommodation

Popular Options in Greece

Our choice of school friendly hotels provide excellent service, comfortable bedrooms, good food and space for evening activities all in pleasant surroundings and close to key visits. including:

- Athens Atrium
- Hotel Candia

Hotel Upgrade

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Temple of Trajan. Photographer: Frank Kovatchek



Our Expert's Introduction

It is easy for students not to realise the importance of Asia Minor in the Roman Empire. The huge wealth of the cities is shown in the grandeur of the remains where Greek and Roman cultures stand side by side. There is so much for students to see

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Turkey

including visits
6 days from £645^{PP}

Turkey's classical sites are spectacular both in size and in situation and there is so much to explore for archaeology, architectural and art history students. Our inclusive packages are tailored to include highlights such as Istanbul, a fascinating city with a turbulent history, Troy with its rich mythology and archaeology, and Ephesus, a fabulous example of Asia Minor's great wealth.

Key Educational Visits

Your group will be accompanied throughout your tour and at each of the following visits.

Istanbul

A remarkable city, full of mystery, charm and learning opportunities. Istanbul forms the start and ending location of your tour. A visit to the Blue Mosque, the Topkapi palace and the bazaars will give students a glimpse of the culture where East meets West. The Church of St Sophia will take students back to the Roman Empire and the great city of Constantine.

Bosphorus Boat Cruise, Istanbul

Enjoy a relaxing boat ride along the Bosphorus, the narrow strait of water that separates Europe from Asia. See sites such as Dolmabahçe Palace, the Maiden's Tower, the Fortress of Europe, and the Fortress of Asia.

Gallipoli

Many groups spend time en route from Istanbul to Troy exploring Gallipoli and the landing beaches and trenches of the Allied assault of 1915. Gallipoli derives its name from the Greek Kallipolis meaning "Beautiful City."

Kusadasi

An attractive city base for groups on leaving Istanbul, ideal for visiting Ephesus, Aphrodisias and other famous sites. There are many fascinating less known ancient cities within easy reach, such as Nysa and Magnesia.

Troy

Students who have read the Iliad can imagine watching the armies of Greece and Troy on the plain below as they stand where Helen stood on the battlements. See Schliemann's excavation scars on the landscape and puzzle over the periods of settlement that have been revealed. Our groups combine Troy with a visit to Pergamum en route to Kusadasi from Gallipoli.

Dikili

A pleasant port town where groups will spend the night on our 6 day package, after visiting Troy, before continuing on to Pergamum the following morning.

Pergamum

A spectacular hilltop site with impressive ruins, and an ideal visit en route to Kusadasi. The reconstruction of the temple of Trajan shows the importance of the Imperial cult. In addition, the Sanctuary of Asklepios has intriguing remains of the healing complex as well as a theatre to explore.

Ephesus

A graphic illustration of the power of Rome and the wealth of Asia Minor – all its public buildings and even its streets were made from marble. Examine the amazing detail of the Library of Celsus and see the site of The Temple of Artemis, one of the original Seven Wonders of the World.

More Key Educational Visits

Pamukkale

Students can visit the famous hot springs – a world heritage site and one of the most renowned tourist sites in Turkey. The approach road passes through the tombs of ancient Hierapolis with its impressive theatre.

Hierapolis

Hierapolis ('holy city') was the ancient city on top of the famous Pamukkale hot springs and is now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Examine its host of ruins including an impressive theatre with a seating capacity of 15,000. Many groups choose to return to Kusadasi before flying back to Istanbul.

Aphrodisias

Visit the famous Temple of Aphrodite, who the city was named after, which formed the centre of the city and the huge stadium, used during the Roman period for athletic competitions and festivals. Other highlights include the excavated theatre, a magnificent gateway, a huge Roman agora, a museum and a beautifully preserved Bouleuterion. An ideal stop en-route to Pamukkale from Kusadasi.



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Various	HB	6/5	£645	£665	£689

	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Day 1	Daytime flight & accompanied transfer to accommodation		Evening meal Overnight: Istanbul
Day 2	Visit Topkapı Palace, St Sophia, Hippodrome, Blue Mosque, and the Grand Bazaar		Evening meal Overnight: Istanbul
Day 3	Departure early in the morning for Çanakkale and visit of Gallipoli Battle fields. Cross the Dardanells by ferry. Visit of Troy. Continue to port town of Dikili		Evening meal Overnight: Dikili
Day 4	Visit the Pergamon Acropolis. View the Red Hall and Old Town of Pergamon. Continue to Ephesus and see the the Temple of Artemis and the Basilica Cistern St John		Evening meal Overnight: Kusadasi
Day 5	Excursion to Pamukkale with a visit the Temple of Aphrodite & the remains of Hierapolis. En route stop at the city ruins of Aphrodisias and the Archeological Museum		Evening meal Overnight: Kusadasi
Day 6	Free time in Kusadasi Internal flight from Izmir to Istanbul and connect for return flight to UK		

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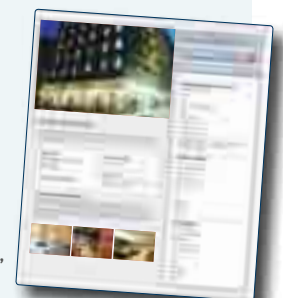
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- Akol Hotel



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Arles. Photographer - Wolfgang Staudt



Provence

7 days from £352^{PP}

This region of France is rich in history and the many landmarks left by the Phoenicians, Greeks and Romans are testament to this. The towns of Arles, Nîmes, Orange and Vaison-la-Romaine have a host of Roman arenas, temples and monuments and still have much to tell us about the strategic importance of the area.



Gill Greef

Our Expert's Introduction

It's easy to overlook Provence when studying the Roman Empire but a visit will reveal how whole-heartedly the inhabitants of Gaul embraced Roman culture.

Key Educational Visits

Arles

The legacy of the Romans is easy to see in this impressive city. There are a wide number of attractions within the city, including an amphitheatre, forum and the Baths of Constantine, which will show students what Roman life was like in the provinces.

Pont du Gard

An outstanding example of Roman architectural and engineering accomplishment. Students will be amazed by the scale of the aqueduct and the on-site interactive museum features a wide range of exhibits for your group to explore.

Nîmes

A delightful city, rich in Roman history. It's home to a well preserved and elegant temple, La Maison Carrée, the fountain gardens containing the Temple of Diana and the Tour Magne, and the Castellum and Arena.

Orange

The town is renowned for its Roman architecture; the Roman Theatre is described by many as the finest still existing in Europe, mainly due to its magnificent stage wall. The theatre, its surroundings and Monumental Arch of Orange, are all UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Vaison-la-Romaine

The Roman ruins and the modern town are on the banks of the river Ouvèze which is crossed by an ancient 1st century bridge. Archaeological digs have revealed the luxurious and elaborate riverside villas, numerous geometric mosaic pavements and a fine small theatre. Groups can also explore the medieval village and its cathedral on the other side of the river.

Palais de Papes, Avignon

Visit one of the largest and most important medieval Gothic buildings in Europe, which was the Papal residence for the majority of the 14th century.

More Key Educational Visits

Glanum

A 1st century BC Romanised settlement, Glanum, has an impressive triumphal arch, the oldest to be found in Gaul, it portrays Gaulish captives being led away in chains by the victorious Romans. Located near the arch is a virtually intact cenotaph, the Cenotaph of the Julii, one of the best preserved to be found anywhere in the Roman world.

Les Baux-de-Provence

Visit this village's mountainside location; its defensible position gave rise to early habitation, with traces of life from as far back as 6000BC. In summer, the nearby Château des Beaux gives a demonstration of huge catapults in action.



Local Guide

One of our enthusiastic local guides can meet you at key visits and will use their in-depth knowledge of the area to help get the most out of your time away.

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Provence package prices from...

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Acotel Confort	FB	7/4	£369	£380	£357	£352	£362	£357	£369	£398	£398	POA	£373	£373

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	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Day 1	Depart for overnight journey		
Day 2	Check into accommodation	Explore Arles on foot	Evening meal
Day 3	Les Baux de Provence, St-Remy-De-Provence & Glanum Visit the Château des Baux.	Avignon - visit the Palais des Papes	Evening meal
Day 4	Nîmes & the Pont du Gard - visits include La Maison Carée, Temple of Diana, Tour Magne & the Castellum & Arena		Evening meal
Day 5	Visit to Vaison-la-Romaine	Explore Orange (Roman city of Arausio) and visit the Roman Theatre	Evening meal
Day 6	Explore Arles on foot - visit the museum of the Ancient Arles	Depart for return overnight journey	
Day 7	Arrive at school		

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Flexible Transport Options

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Accommodation

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Booking Conditions

Please take the time to read the following conditions carefully. They are the basis for the contract between us and will assist you with your future plans.

1. CONTRACT

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A contract will only exist when we have received the required deposit and have acknowledged receipt of your completed form by the issue of our booking confirmation invoice. The person signing the booking form accepts the following conditions on behalf of all party members and will be our sole point of contact for correspondence. The contract between us is governed by the Law of England and Wales and any dispute will be dealt with under the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of England and Wales, except if you live in Scotland, when you may choose to have the contract governed by the laws of Scotland, and any dispute dealt with in the Scottish Courts.

2. DEPOSITS

Before a booking can be considered firm, the Party Leader must sign our booking form and forward the initial deposit for each paying member of the party as defined in Table A of the Important Notes. This deposit is not refundable, unless under the terms of our insurance cover. Please make cheques payable to NST Travel Group Ltd. For UK schools and groups, insurance cover is included and commences when the deposit payment is received. Insurance cover can be arranged for non-UK schools and groups at a supplement.

3. PAYMENT

We require a second deposit, as defined in Table A of the Important Notes section of this form, to be paid not more than 8 weeks after the due date of the initial deposit. The final balance must be settled no later than 10 weeks prior to departure or by return of post where receipt of invoice is within 10 weeks. If second deposits or final balances are not received by the due dates, this will be a breach of the contract between us, entitling us to treat the booking as cancelled by you. In these circumstances, the contract between us will remain in force until you receive our written advice and cancellation invoice.

4. CANCELLATION

In the event of cancellation by a paying member more than 10 weeks before your tour, the deposits may be transferred to a substitute member. However, if this is not possible, then the deposits will be retained by us. For cancellations made less than 10 weeks prior to your tour, the payments made may be transferred to a substitute member but we reserve the right to charge an amendment fee of £25, plus any direct costs incurred. For air tours, cancellation charges may apply in accordance with section 6 and the individual airline policy. However, if a transfer is not possible, please write to us immediately giving full details. The cancellation will be subject to the following charges:-

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The date of effective cancellation is calculated on the day of receipt of written advice. If any cancellation brings the number of paying passengers below the minimum number required to qualify for a particular price, then the price will be adjusted accordingly. Please note that cancellation charges may be reclaimed, less an excess, via insurance, provided that the cancellation occurs within the terms of the policy e.g. necessary cancellation due to injury or illness of the party member or parent or parental redundancy, etc.

5. PRICE INFORMATION

The price of our tours is valid at the time of publication in our brochure or price list or on our website or when quoted to you. The prices were calculated on the basis of then known costs and the following exchange rates published in "The Financial Times" on November 16th 2011:

£1 = 1.5790 USA Dollars,
£1 = 1.1670 Euros,
£1 = 1.6136 Canadian Dollars,
£1 = 1.4475 Swiss Francs

Your trip may be subject to surcharges on currency, unforeseen increases in transportation costs and seaport charges, VAT, enforced increases in labour costs, aircraft fuel, overflying charges, airport charges and increases in scheduled air fares, in addition to any surcharges resulting from governmental action. In all cases where a surcharge is applicable we will absorb an amount equal to 2% of the tour price, excluding any insurance premiums and amendment fees. Only amounts in excess of 2% will be surcharged. If this means paying more than 10% of the tour price you will be entitled to cancel the tour with a full refund of all money paid (minus insurance premiums and any amendment fees incurred). Should you wish to cancel because of this, you must exercise your right to do so within 14 days from the issue date printed on the surcharge advice. You will be notified up to 30 days prior to departure if a surcharge is due on your tour.

6. ALTERATIONS & AMENDMENTS BY YOU

Should you wish to make any changes to your confirmed booking, you must notify us in writing as soon as possible. Where we can meet your request, a fee of £25 per amendment will be payable together with any costs incurred by ourselves and any costs or charges incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers in making the change.

Additions to your party are usually possible at any time up to 10 weeks prior to travel. However, you must always check with us first by telephoning 01253 833 833. If any addition is made within 10 weeks of departure we may charge an amendment fee of £25 per amendment. The ordering of extra services (for example vegetarian meals, changes to your itinerary or requests for booking visits) after 10 weeks prior to departure will also be subject to the payment of the amendment fee and the other costs / charges set out above. For tours by air it is the Party Leader's responsibility to ensure that all names are given in full and exactly as shown on the individuals' passports. This information is often required at an early stage of booking and some airlines may not permit name changes. Most however will treat name changes as cancellations and charge accordingly. We will pass these charges on to you. Once tickets have been issued or in the case of low cost carriers once names have been received, airlines will usually charge the full cost of the flight if a name is changed. If your final balance is overdue at the time of requesting this change this also must be paid in full before the change can be made.

7. IF WE ARE FORCED TO CHANGE THINGS

The arrangements in our brochure or price list or on our website or when quoted to you, were given in good faith. Occasionally we have to make changes and we reserve the right to do so at any time. Most changes will be minor and all will be advised at the earliest possible date. In the unlikely event of it proving necessary to alter significantly or cancel your tour, we will offer a suitable alternative if available or 100% refund (within 14 clear days) if we are not able, in our opinion, to offer an alternative that is sufficiently comparable. Significant changes include the following changes when made before departure: a change of accommodation to that of a lower official classification or standard for the whole or a major part of the time you are away, a change of accommodation to an alternative resort for the whole or a major part of the time you are away, a change of outward departure time or overall length of time you are away of 12 or more hours and, in the case of inclusive tours, a significant change of itinerary missing out one or more major destinations substantially or altogether. Please note a change of airport, airline or flight time of less than 12 hours are not significant changes unless otherwise expressly stated. Compensation will be paid as below, per full fare paying passenger, if we have to make a significant change to your tour within 10 weeks of commencement:-

70-29 days: £5 per person
28-15 days: £10 per person
14 days or less: £15 per person

Please note that the above options and compensation do not apply to study visits if the study visit you are due to take part in or attend is significantly changed or cancelled due to any reasons outside of our control. Please see Clause 7 of the Important Notes section for further details. Very rarely, we may be forced by 'force majeure' (see Clause 8) to change or terminate your tour after departure but before the scheduled end of your time away. This is extremely unlikely but if this situation does occur, we regret we will be unable to make any refunds (unless we obtain any refunds from our suppliers), pay you any compensation or meet any costs or expenses you incur as a result.

8. FORCE MAJEURE

Except where otherwise stated in these Booking Conditions, we regret we cannot accept liability or pay any compensation where the performance or prompt performance of our contractual obligations is prevented or affected by or you otherwise suffer any damage, loss or expense of any nature whatsoever as a result of 'force majeure'. In these Booking Conditions, 'force majeure' means any event which we or the supplier of the service(s) in question could not, even with all due care, foresee or avoid. Such events may include war or threat of war, riot, civil strife, actual or threatened terrorist activity, industrial dispute, natural or nuclear disaster, adverse weather conditions, fire and all similar events outside our control.

9. TRAVEL TICKETS & VOUCHERS

These are valid in conjunction with the particular travel arrangements booked and the route specified. No refund can be made for lost, mislaid, unused, unendorsed or expired tickets, coupons or vouchers. Any details given are provisional and do not commit any airline mentioned to providing a service.

10. LIABILITY

We will only accept responsibility for any personal illness, injury or death which results from the negligent (as the word is understood in English law) acts or omissions of any servant or agent, or any supplier working on our behalf in the provision of services or facilities to you and whilst acting within the scope of their employment. We will also accept responsibility for those elements of the tour arrangements which are under our direct control, and for the acts and/or omissions of our employees, agents, sub-contractors and suppliers. We can only be liable for the provision of special requests where we have confirmed their availability in writing beforehand. Please note, however, that we do not accept liability for any air or sea carriers whose individual conditions of carriage apply and are often subject to international agreements. We cannot be held responsible for the loss of enjoyment or additional expenses due to delays or changes in any travel arrangements or other services which are caused by circumstances amounting to 'force majeure' (see Clause 8). Our liability in all cases (except those involving illness, injury or death) is limited to 50% of the invoiced tour value per passenger in addition to a full refund. We cannot be held responsible for the failure or inability of any equipment or computer programme to recognise or correctly interpret or process any date as the true or correct date, or to continue to function correctly beyond that date. Should you or any member of your party have the misfortune to suffer illness, injury or death during the

period of your tour arising out of an activity which does not form part of the arrangements made by us, we shall, where appropriate, give you every help that we can by way of initial assistance, including initial legal costs associated therewith, up to a maximum value of £5,000 per booking form. You must request such assistance within 90 days from the date of the misadventure and in the event of there being a successful claim for costs against a third party or there being suitable insurance policies in force, the costs incurred by us shall be recoverable from you.

11. COMPLAINTS PROCEDURE

If there are any problems with your arrangements whilst you are away, the Party Leader must immediately inform the supplier of the service(s) in question. If the supplier is unable to resolve the complaint or problem to your satisfaction, you should contact us immediately either at the office during working hours or via our 24 hour duty officer out-of-hours. Most problems can be dealt with quickly. In the unlikely event that the matter remains unresolved, please write to us immediately on your return and we will do our utmost to find a satisfactory solution. Notice of any claim or dispute must be received by us within 28 days of the date on which the tour ended. If any dispute on a tour booked with NST Travel Group Limited cannot be amicably settled, it may be possible to refer it to arbitration under a special scheme arranged by the Institute of Arbitration in conjunction with the Association of British Travel Agents. This scheme provides for a simple and inexpensive method of arbitration on documents alone, with a restricted liability on a customer in respect of costs. The scheme does not apply to claims for an amount greater than £5,000 per person. There is also a limit of £25,000 per booking form. Neither does it apply to claims which are solely or mainly in respect of physical injury or illness or the consequences of such injury or illness, except for small compensation claims for minor injury or illness subject to a limit of £1,000 per person. Application for arbitration must be made within 9 months of return from the tour. Further details can be supplied by ABTA on request.

12. PERSONAL PROPERTY

Your personal property, including baggage, is your own responsibility at all times, unless any loss or damage is due to our negligence or failure to carry out our responsibility.

13. SUPERVISION

When you book with us, you accept full responsibility for any damage or loss caused by you or any member of your group. Full payment for any such damage or loss must be paid direct at the time to the accommodation owner or manager or other supplier. If you fail to do so, you will be responsible for meeting any claims subsequently made against us (together with our own and the other party's full legal costs) as a result of your or any member of your group's actions. Party Leaders and/or other adults accompanying the party agree to act 'in loco parentis' at all times and will adequately supervise all members of the party. It is the Party Leader's responsibility to ensure that:

- No group member under 18 consumes alcoholic beverages without prior written consent of the parent/guardian.
- No student smokes on coaches, in any accommodation, in any smoke-free places or behaves in any other way which may cause a fire hazard.
- All party members wear the seat belts provided for all journeys by coach. (Not always applicable to coaches sourced overseas).
- No student breaks a UK or local law.

14. TOURS BY AIR

In accordance with EU Directive (EC) No 2111/2005 Article 9, we are required to bring to your attention the existence of a "Community list" which contains details of air carriers that are subject to an operating ban within the EU Community. The Community list is available for inspection at www.ec.europa.eu/transport/air.

In accordance with EU Regulations we are required to advise you of the carrier(s) (or, if the carrier(s) is not known, the likely carrier(s)) that will operate your flight(s) at the time of booking. Where we are only able to inform you of the likely carrier(s) at the time of booking, we shall inform you of the identity of the actual carrier(s) as soon as we become aware of this. Any change to the operating carrier(s) after your booking has been confirmed will be notified to you as soon as possible. However, the UK departure airport, overseas arrival airport, carrier/airline and flight timings cannot be guaranteed (even when they have been confirmed in our Booking Confirmation Invoice). Nor can we guarantee the means of transport and timings for each leg of the journey but these will be as near as possible to those set out in our Booking Confirmation Invoice. We will provide transportation from your original departure point to the relevant airport if the original airport is changed.

The UK departure airport, overseas arrival airport, carrier and flight timings shown in this brochure, on our website or in any other promotional material and detailed on your Booking Confirmation Invoice are for guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. The latest route, timings and carrier will be shown on your tickets which will be despatched to you approximately two weeks before departure. You must accordingly check your tickets very carefully immediately on receipt to ensure you have the correct route, flight times and carrier. It is possible that UK departure airport, overseas arrival airport, carrier and/or flight times may be changed even after tickets have been despatched - we will contact you as soon as possible if this occurs.

Any change in UK departure airport, overseas arrival airport, the identity of the carrier, flight timings, and/or aircraft type (if given) will not entitle you to cancel or change other arrangements without paying our normal charges except where specified in these conditions. If your flight is cancelled or delayed, your flight ticket

is downgraded or boarding is denied by your airline in circumstances which would entitle you to claim compensation and/or another remedy from the airline under EC Regulation No 261/2004 - the Denied Boarding Regulations 2004, you must pursue the airline for any compensation due to you. All sums you receive or are entitled to receive from the airline concerned by virtue of these Regulations represent the full amount of your entitlement to compensation or any other payment arising from such cancellation, delay, downgrading or denied boarding. This includes any disappointment, distress, inconvenience or effect on any other arrangements. The fact a delay may entitle you to cancel your flight does not automatically entitle you to cancel any other arrangements even where those arrangements have been made in conjunction with your flight. We have no liability to make any payment to you in relation to the Denied Boarding Regulations or in respect of any flight cancellation or delay, downgrading of any flight ticket or denial of any boarding as the full amount of your entitlement to any compensation or other payment (as dealt with above) is covered by the airline's obligations under the Denied Boarding Regulations. If, for any reason, you do not claim against the airline and make a claim for compensation or any other sum from us, you must, at the time of payment of any compensation or other sum to you, make a complete assignment to us of the rights you have against the airline in relation to the claim that gives rise to that compensation payment. If your airline does not comply with these rules you should complain to the Air Transport Users' Council on 020 7240 6061 or via their website at www.auc.org.uk.

15. CONDITIONS OF SUPPLIERS

Many of the services which make up your tour are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable International Conventions. Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions are available on request from ourselves or the supplier concerned.

16. PASSPORTS & VISAS

The passport and visa requirements applicable at the time of printing to British Citizens for the arrangements we offer are shown in the Important Notes section of this form. It is the responsibility of the Group Organiser to obtain the passport and ensure all group members not included on any collective passport have a full individual passport.

For travel to or via the United States all passengers, including children must have their own machine-readable passport. Most British Citizens holding a British passport can travel under the Visa Waiver Program but there are some restrictions and the Group Organiser must check these by looking at the US Embassy website at www.usembassy.org.uk. All persons travelling to the USA under the Visa Waiver Program must have obtained travel authorisation using the Electronic System for Travel Authorisation (ESTA). You must have obtained authorisation at least 72 hours before departure. This requirement is in addition to the submission of passport information, which is still required. Each individual traveller must register online on the following website: <https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov/esta>.

A charge will be made for travel authorisation and this cost will be in addition to the tour price and payable by each passenger.

Party Leaders may wish to refer to the Department of Health leaflet 17.2 'Health Advice for Travellers' which offers health information for all destinations. Copies are available from Post Offices nationwide. Although NST's extensive insurance covers the cost of emergency medical treatment abroad, we would still recommend that all party members travelling within the EU have a valid EHC (formerly E111). At present there are no mandatory health formalities for British Citizens for the destinations we offer but please bear in mind that requirements may change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure. Further information can be obtained from the Department of Health website at www.dh.gov.uk/travellers or from www.fiftotravel.scot.nhs.uk. It is the Group Organiser's responsibility to ensure that all group members are in possession of all necessary travel and health documents before departure. Except as set out above and in our Important Notes section, all costs incurred in obtaining such documentation must be paid by you. We regret we cannot accept any liability if you are refused entry onto any transport or into any country due to failure on your part to carry correct documentation or provide personal data on a timely basis for all party members that are required for border control or aviation security purposes. If any member of your group is not a British Citizen or holds a non-British passport, you must check passport and visa requirements with the Embassy or Consulate of the country(ies) to or through which you are intending to travel. If failure to have any necessary travel or other documents results in fines, surcharges or other financial penalty being imposed on us or any of our suppliers, you will be responsible for reimbursing us accordingly.

17. DELAYS AT PORT, INTERNATIONAL RAIL TERMINAL OR AIRPORT

In the event of a delay at the port, international rail terminal or airport of departure, we will ensure that you are informed of the reasons for and the extent of the delay as early as possible. Except for delays to flights, in the event of a delay in any travel arrangements included in your tour lasting less than 12 hours, we will either (1) make arrangements there and then as appropriate to reduce any discomfort (for example providing you with a meal voucher) or (2) we will provide retrospective reimbursement of reasonable costs you incur for refreshments on production of receipts. In both cases if the delay causes you to miss a pre-booked meal where the delay exceeds 3 hours, your group will be entitled to light refreshments. In

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the event of a delay exceeding 6 hours, your group will be entitled to receive a main meal.

In the event of a delay to flights the responsibility to provide assistance lies with the airline concerned. Please see Clause 15 for further details.

The length of any delay is calculated from the scheduled departure time of the sea vessel, train or flight for which the group has a firm booking.

18. SPECIAL REQUESTS

Any special requests must be clearly notified to us in writing. We do our best to meet any special requests made by you and ensure that these are forwarded to the appropriate persons. We cannot guarantee, however, that special requests will be fulfilled and failure to do so does not constitute a breach of contract. Special requests will only be held to form part of the contract between you and NST when they have been confirmed in writing to be guaranteed by NST.

19. MEDICAL PROBLEMS

If any member of your group has any medical problem or disability which may affect your arrangements, the Group Organiser must give us full details before you confirm your booking so that we can advise as to the suitability of the chosen arrangements. The Group Organiser must give us full details in writing at the time of booking (if not already confirmed in writing) and promptly update us of any changes. If we reasonably feel unable to properly accommodate the particular needs of the person concerned, we must reserve the right to decline their reservation or, if full details are not given at the time of booking, cancel when we become aware of these details.

20. ADDITIONAL NEEDS

If any member of your group has any additional needs, please request a copy of our Additional Needs Guidance Notes.

21. DATA PROTECTION

We have measures in place to protect the personal booking information held by us. The contact details supplied, including postal address, telephone and email address, will only be used to fulfil tour administration and to communicate details of NST's and our associated companies products and services. The personal information supplied about party members will only be used to allow our employees, agents, subcontractors and suppliers to provide the promised service to our normal high standards. It may also be provided to public authorities such as customs or immigration if required by them, or as required by law.

Important Notes

1. PAYMENT – TABLE A

The following deposits are payable for each paying member of the group according to the type of tour and basic tour cost:

Type of Tour	1 st Deposit on booking	2 nd Deposit 8 weeks after booking
Coach / rail / Eurostar tours within Europe (under £90)	£30	-
Coach / rail / Eurostar tours within Europe (between £91-£139)	£30	£30
Coach / rail / Eurostar tours within Europe (between £140-£199)	£30	£60
Coach / rail / Eurostar tours within Europe (£200 or more)	£30	£80
*Air tours within Europe	£60	£60
*Air tours to Russia and outside Europe	£80	£80

*Where a low-cost airline is chosen as part of your arrangements, a larger deposit may be required to cover the full air fare cost. Any increased amount will be specified in our offer terms. The final statement of account will be sent to you 12 weeks before departure. The balance of the cost of your arrangements must be received by us not less than 10 weeks prior to departure.

2. ITEMS INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF YOUR TOUR

- Accommodation as described in our provisional booking letter to you (see clause 5 Accommodation).
- Meals as indicated in our provisional booking letter to you (see clause 6 Meals).
- Air or coach travel as specified including all security charges and taxes but excluding departure taxes only payable locally.
- UK air passenger duty on air tours.
- All foreign air taxes that can be prepaid.
- Transfers from arrival airport to accommodation and return.
- Excursion arrangements as outlined in our provisional booking letter to you (see clause 7 Excursions).
- Insurance cover (see clause 8 Insurance).
- Generous free supervisory places. Please refer to our brochure or offer letter.
- VAT at current rates where applicable.
- Concessions as detailed in clause 13.

3. NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE OF YOUR TOUR

- Meals en route, unless specifically stated.
- Entrance fees, boat trips, guides etc unless specifically stated.
- Drinks with meals, other than breakfast.
- The cost of a full passport / collective passport, as required by the country to be visited (see clause 10 Passports).

- The cost of visas and immigration taxes. See clause 11 Visas.
- Departure taxes which can only be paid locally.
- Transfers for excursions unless specifically included.
- Gratuities or gifts for guides etc unless specifically included.
- Music instrument insurance (Music tours only)
- Production of concert programmes (Music tours only)

4. GROUP SIZE

The minimum number for which we quote tour prices is indicated on the price pages for each country/region, or in our provisional booking letter to you. We can quote prices for smaller groups.

5. ACCOMMODATION

We are very proud of the accommodation we provide for our groups, having built up a detailed understanding of the requirements of school groups. We have carefully selected accommodation with these requirements in mind, through close working partnerships with hoteliers, accommodation providers and our agents. We describe in our brochures either specific accommodation which is frequently used, or the standards and category of accommodation used. Additional hotels and centres not named in the brochure but of a similar standard may also be offered. In all cases, accurate and honest NST accommodation descriptions are provided.

Adults on free places: are generally accommodated in twin bedded rooms (with the exception of some youth hostels and youth centres where multi bedded rooms may be provided, please refer to the specific accommodation room breakdown for details). Subject to availability, single rooms are provided free of charge if the male/female composition of the accompanying staff makes them absolutely necessary (with the exception of long haul destinations: USA, Canada, Iceland, Mexico, Egypt, India and China). All single room preference requests incur a supplement, which is detailed in our provisional booking offer letter.

Additional paying adults: will generally be accommodated in twin bedded rooms and pay a per night supplement (minimum £5 per night added to the basic student tour price, (with the exception of long haul destinations and some European cities - please refer to your quotation or provisional booking letter for precise details)). Subject to availability, single rooms are provided free of charge if the male/female composition of the accompanying staff makes them absolutely necessary (with the exception of long haul destinations: USA, Canada, Iceland, Mexico, Egypt, India and China). All single room preference requests incur a supplement, which is detailed in our provisional booking offer letter.

The total number of adults must not exceed 20% of the group size or additional charges may apply to the whole group.

Important note: in certain USA hotels, some students may be required to share double/king beds, this will be advised and agreed at time of booking. This is clearly stated in the accommodation description. In all youth centres and hostels the students are accommodated in single or bunk beds.

6. MEALS

The standard meal basis of tours is quoted in our provisional booking letter to you. Extra meals can be booked where required. Where full board is indicated a packed lunch is normally provided. Many establishments will charge extra for a hot lunch. Not all establishments can provide hot lunches.

7. EXCURSIONS

The provision of excursions varies from tour to tour. All excursions and services organised by us on your behalf and included in the price of your arrangements will be detailed in your itinerary.

a. DESTINATION INFORMATION

Specially prepared information is available for our most popular destinations. This gives a comprehensive summary of all the visits available to groups and provides additional general information.

b. NON STANDARD VISITS

Most visits requested can be booked by NST. Should a large amount of research be required for non-standard visits, we reserve the right to levy an additional charge. You will be notified of the amount required prior to the visits being researched. Where we agree to organise study visits on your behalf which are dependent on the goodwill of organisations or individuals, we are unable to guarantee these arrangements. As these providers are not our suppliers and we do not have contracts with them for the supply of these services, they may choose to withdraw any offered facilities at any time and this is outside our control. In these circumstances we reserve the right to substitute alternative arrangements to those originally requested. Any such change will not be a significant change or cancellation for the purposes of clause 7 of our Booking Conditions.

c. PREPAID THEATRE VISITS

Please note that prepaid theatre tickets are non-refundable.

d. CONCERTS (MUSIC TOURS ONLY)

All concerts organised by us on your behalf and included in the price of your arrangements will be detailed in your itinerary.

Where we agree to organise and publicise concerts on your behalf we cannot guarantee concert arrangements requested for particular venues or on particular dates. This is because we are dependent on the goodwill of the individuals that agree to provide facilities for these concerts. Because these providers are not our suppliers and we do not have contracts with them for the supply of their services, they may choose to withdraw any offered facilities at anytime and this is outside our control. In these circumstances we reserve the right to substitute alternative concert arrangements to those requested. For

certain groups concerts may be organised outdoors and in the event of bad weather these concerts may have to be cancelled. In this event we will supply you with ideas for alternative activities or excursions.

e. EXCHANGE PROGRAMME TOURS

We have no control over the organisation or operation of any of the French schools in our, 'French Exchange with No Home Stays Programme'. We only undertake as part of our contract with you to arrange for your school to link up with the French school. The French school may change their plans or cancel before or after your departure due to reasons that are outside our control, for example bad weather, teacher illness or other unforeseen circumstances. If the exchange part of your programme is significantly changed or cancelled due to any reasons outside of our control you will not be entitled to change or cancel your arrangements with us without paying our normal charges. Furthermore, the options or compensation set out in our Booking Conditions will not be available to you. We will however endeavour to help you find another similar school or an event for your group to take part in or attend. If these arrangements are more expensive you will be responsible for paying the increased cost.

f. ADVICE FOR EXCURSIONS AND VISITS

As described in our brochure, we operate a Safety Management System which is consistent with industry best practice and is externally audited every year by a suitably qualified independent organisation. Whilst it is not practical to inspect all visits and excursions, we will use reasonable endeavours to evaluate the level of risk to our groups and, where appropriate, bring to the attention of our group leaders any advice that we consider is necessary to help them make informed decisions and manage their own responsibilities for the safety of their group. Additionally, the DfE, Local Authorities and, in some cases individual schools issue guidance on all aspects of school trips and outside activities including planning, risk assessment, organisation and supervision. If you are in any doubt, you can and should always seek specific advice in advance from your employer, Local Authority or the DfE.

8. INSURANCE

INSURANCE SUMMARY (Non-UK Tours)

NST Travel Group Limited act as an appointed representative for Fogg Travel Insurance Services Limited. The following insurance cover is provided for every tour participant and is included in the tour price. Full details of cover will be sent to Group Organisers. Please note that insurance cover is put in place on the day we confirm your booking.

- Cancellation and Curtailment: Up to £5,000
- Personal Possessions: Up to £1,500 (single article limit up to £250, valuables up to £250, passport/delayed possessions up to £100)
- Personal Money: Each participant up to £200, money held by leaders £500, emergency funds £500
- Emergency Medical Expenses: Up to £5,000,000 (Nil in the UK)
- Personal Liability: Up to £1,000,000
- Organiser's Liability: Up to £5,000,000
- Personal Accident: Up to £25,000 (lower limit for under 16s, no cover for 75s and over)
- Legal Advice and Expenses: Up to £25,000
- Delayed Departure: Up to £100
- Abandonment: Up to £5,000
- Additional Travel Expenses: Up to £100
- Missed Departure or Connection: Up to £500

BASIC INSURANCE SUMMARY (UK Tours)

The insurance cover automatically included in your UK tour is as follows:

- Cancellation and Curtailment: Up to £5,000 or in the event of curtailment, the appropriate proportion of the tour costs.
- Personal Liability: Up to £1,000,000
- Organiser's Liability: Up to £5,000,000
- Legal Expenses: Up to £25,000

Please note there are excesses for some sections of cover. You can view a full copy of our insurance policy and key facts documents on our website which highlights benefits and cover provided. If you do not have access to a computer, please phone us and we will forward a copy of the documents to you prior to booking. Please note, it is important that all members of your party have details of the insurance policy prior to booking.

9. SEAT BELTS ON COACHES

All UK coaches will be fitted with seat belts. In the event of a breakdown any replacement coach from the UK will be fitted with seat belts. However, due to different legislation in countries outside the UK, this may not be possible if a non-UK coach is supplied.

10. PASSPORTS

NST recommend that groups do not use a collective passport. Collective passports (available to British nationals only) for persons under the age of 18 are not accepted by all countries or airlines. It is the Group Organiser's responsibility to check whether collective passports are acceptable. The Group Organiser will be responsible for obtaining a collective passport. Please note that British Citizens not on the collective passport must hold a full 10 year British passport. Identity cards are also necessary in many countries for students travelling on a collective passport. If a student is aged 16 or over and hasn't yet got a passport, our recommendation is that you should apply for one at least 10 weeks prior to departure, longer if a visa is required. Further information can be obtained from the UK Passport Service Advice line on 0870 521 0410 or website at www.passport.gov.uk.

11. VISAS

Non-British Citizens may require visas/transit visas, for which the individual is responsible and must apply for themselves. The cost of the visa is not included in tour prices. NST will provide the necessary advice to enable

groups to obtain visas. We recommend that all visa requirements are completed at least 2 months prior to departure. Please note that we cannot accept liability if you or any member of your group is refused a visa through no fault of ours. The inability to travel due to incomplete visa requirements is not covered by insurance. Remember, visa requirements may change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure.

12. INSPECTION/PREVIEW VISITS*

In order to provide further peace of mind for your school visit, we offer 2 nights bed and breakfast accommodation for 2 people in a twin room free of charge at, or near to, your booked accommodation. This enables you to plan your visit and answer any queries on your own risk assessments. Please contact us for further details and eligibility.

13. CONCESSIONS

To ensure adequate supervision, NST offers generous free places for staff accompanying a group. Please refer to our brochure or offer letter for further details. The following further concessions are available to groups of minimum 30 full paying persons. Persons travelling on these places do not count towards the free place allocation. Concessions apply to the basic tour prices only and not to any additional services i.e. paid excursions, supplements, entrance fees or theatre visits.

Infants Under 2 – price on application.
Children 2–18 – 50% of basic student tour price.
Spouse – 50% of basic student tour price.
AIR TOURS: 1 child or spouse concession permitted.
COACH TOURS: 2 child concessions and 1 spouse concession permitted.
Children and infants must share a room with their parent(s).
Concessions are not available on tours to China, Egypt, Iceland, India, Mexico, Russia or USA.

14. NOISE

It should be remembered that in many cities and towns accommodation may be situated in a busy area and therefore some noise is likely. Please bear this in mind when choosing your accommodation.

15. FOREIGN OFFICE ADVICE

Occasionally, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office finds it necessary to issue advice on the suitability of travel to certain destinations. Such advice can be found on the Foreign and Commonwealth Office's website at www.fco.gov.uk/knowbeforeyougo.

16. PUBLICATION DATE

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