

EUROPE JANUARY 2017

McClelland College Proposed Itinerary

DAY 1 2.1.17 MONDAY	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>MELBOURNE TO LONDON</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrive in London in morning (early). • Travel by coach to Stratford-upon-Avon - depending on time arriving, free time in the afternoon and a lovely pub meal - Pen and Parchment?
DAY 2 3.1.17 TUESDAY	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>LONDON</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tour of the Royal Shakespeare Theatre • Walking Tour – 11am (2 hours) • Lunch • Cruise on River Avon – possibly on day we arrive? • Shakespeare's Birthplace • Dinner and a Show – Royal Shakespeare Company (eat in rooftop restaurant?) <p><i>In the afternoon continue to Stratford-upon-Avon where you will visit Shakespeare's Birthplace, the 16th Century half-timbered house of glove-maker John Shakespeare on Henley Street, is where the young William was born and brought up. It houses an exhibition of the life of the world's greatest playwright. You will also visit Shakespeare's grave in Trinity Church.</i></p>
DAY 3 4.1.17 WEDNESDAY	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>LONDON</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave Stratford by coach • Warwick Castle • Harry Potter • London • Dinner at hotel <p>NOTE: If the two locations are unworkable on a single day then we will only do the HP Studio Tour – however, we're hopeful given they're both offered in a single day in one of the previous EWT itineraries.</p> <p><i>After breakfast, travel by coach to Warwick to visit Warwick Castle, Britain's greatest medieval experience. Built by William the Conqueror in 1068, the castle offers many great activities and demonstrations from archery, jousting, falconry and the reconstructed catapult demonstrations. Enjoy a guided tour of the Great Hall, state apartments and part of the grounds before having some free time to visit the Dungeons.</i></p> <p><i>After lunch, travel by coach to Leavesden where you will enjoy a tour of the Harry Potter studios. Discover memorable sets, see costumes and props and learn more about the special effects and animatronics used in the film series. Travel onto London and check into your hotel.</i></p>
DAY 4 5.1.17 THURSDAY	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>LONDON</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panoramic London tour • Free time, walking? • Lunch at own expense? • V & A Museum – walking tour?

- Natural History Museum?
- London Eye – if not closed for maintenance – if it is, we can look into other options closer to time.

Your full day sightseeing tour of London will take in the city's many famous landmarks such as Buckingham Palace, Piccadilly Circus and Trafalgar Square. The tour will also include the City of London, rich in history and for many centuries the commercial and financial heart of London. You will pass the Stock Exchange, the Bank of England, Mansion House, the monument of the Great Fire of 1666 and Tower Bridge.

Enjoy a visit to St Paul's Cathedral. A Cathedral dedicated to St Paul has stood on this site since 604AD, and throughout the Cathedral has remained a busy, working church where millions come to reflect and find peace. St Paul's is not only an iconic part of the London skyline but also a symbol of the hope, resilience and strength of the city and nation it serves. You may be able to watch the choir practicing (subject to time of visit and permission)

DAY 5

6.1.17
FRIDAY

LONDON

- National Portrait & Trafalgar Square
- West End Matinee – backstage tour & Q & A
- British Museum – evening

In the afternoon enjoy a Matinee West End Show followed by a backstage tour; you will experience how the stage is re-set for the evening show and will have a Question & Answer session with a theatre professional.

This ~~morning~~ [evening – it's open late on a Friday] enjoy a guided visit to the British Museum and Science Museum.

The British Museum is a museum of human history and culture in London. Its collections which number more than 7 million objects, are amongst the largest and most comprehensive in the world and originate from all continents, illustrating and documenting the story of human culture from its beginning to the present.

Continue to the Science Museum. The Science Museum was founded in 1857 with objects shown at the Great Exhibition held in the Crystal Palace. Today the Museum is world renowned for its historic collections, awe-inspiring galleries and inspirational exhibitions.

DAY 6

7.1.17
SATURDAY

LONDON

- West End Workshop
- Royal Opera House
- West End Show

This morning, enjoy a workshop with a West End cast member from the show you will see tonight! You will have 2 hours of intensive training with them on the whole art of West End performance, from singing, to dancing, to acting. This is really a once in a lifetime opportunity!

OR

This morning you will have the opportunity to partake in a 2 hour theatre workshop. Theatre workshops can help you to gain confidence; learn to communicate with

	<p><i>clarity and imagination; think and act in new ways; and provide you with a unique opportunity to play, create and explore your own potential in a safe and nurturing environment.</i></p> <p><i>Using performance techniques you will explore various subjects, themes and characters while also being given the chance to perform.</i></p> <p><i>After lunch, visit the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, for a wonderful tour of this amazing building, followed by a delicious afternoon tea (subject to availability). Tonight after dinner at your hotel, enjoy another fantastic show on London's West End.</i></p>	
DAY 7 8.1.17 SUNDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tower of London • Thames Cruise – Greenwich – market & Observatory. Cutty Sark – potentially come back via train to allow us to stay later (not back by boat) have dinner there. 	<u>LONDON</u>
DAY 8 9.1.17 MONDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hampton Court OR Windsor Castle • Camden Market • Jack the Ripper walking tour 	<u>LONDON</u>
DAY 9 10.1.17 TUESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shakespeare's Globe – tour • Tate Modern • National Theatre – Matinee or evening <p><i>This morning you will visit Shakespeare's Globe Theatre where you will have a tour of the theatre, explaining how this amazing reproduction was created. You will have time to explore the very interesting Exhibition beneath the theatre. Here you will learn more about Costumes and Clothing and Special Effects in Shakespeare's time.</i></p>	<u>LONDON</u>
DAY 10 11.1.17 WEDNESDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changing of the Guard (if not on this day, swap Wed program with Tues). • Hyde Park picnic lunch? • Westminster Abbey (Big Ben & Houses of Parliament?) • Evensong? • <u>Albert Hall</u> - classical music concert or...? <p><i>... return to the hotel to freshen up and prepare to enjoy dinner and a classical music concert in one of London's great concert halls.</i></p>	<u>LONDON</u>
DAY 11 12.1.17 THURSDAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day of three options/free day (or we pick a tour earlier in week) • Big Musical (vote as a group before we leave) 	<u>LONDON</u>
DAY 12 13.1.17		<u>LONDON to PARIS</u>

<p>FRIDAY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Panoramic Tour of Paris (Can we replace Louvre with Arc de Triumph?) • Seine Cruise (included in tour?) – okay if it's darker. <p><i>Enjoy a panoramic tour to discover the main sights of Paris such as Notre Dame (tower entry not included), the Louvre, Place de la Concorde and the Eiffel Tower (includes tickets to visit the 3rd floor). After the Eiffel Tower visit, transfer to the Champs Elysees to visit the famous Arc de Triomphe.</i></p> <p>OR</p> <p><i>Enjoy a panoramic tour to discover the main sights of Paris such as Notre Dame (tower entry not included), the Louvre, Place de la Concorde and the Eiffel Tower (includes tickets to visit the 3rd floor). After the Eiffel Tower visit, enjoy a one-hour Seine River cruise before transferring to your hotel to check-in.</i></p>
<p>DAY 13 14.1.17 SATURDAY</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>PARIS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Versailles – day trip • Moulin Rouge? (something different for juniors? – French film with English subtitles?)
<p>DAY 14 15.1.17 SUNDAY</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>PARIS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bike Tour • French Cooking Class • Catacombs <p><i>Travel to your meeting point for a half-day bike tour of Paris. The guides will make this an interesting and fun adventure through the streets of Paris!</i></p> <p><i>...take the metro to Ternes metro station and walk to Cooking Baz'Art for a private French cooking class.</i></p>
<p>DAY 15 16.1.17 MONDAY</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><u>PARIS</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opera Garnier • Montmartre (Dali exhibition, Sacre Coeur, Place du Tetre – sketch painters) <p><i>This morning, meet your guide at the hotel and travel via the metro to the Opera Garnier (the famous Paris opera house which was the setting for Gaston Leroux's 1910 novel 'The Phantom of the Opera') for a guided tour. There will be some free time to explore Boulevard Haussmann and two great department stores: Galleries Lafayette and Le Printemps. Each of these buildings is architecturally beautiful in their own right. Even the window displays are artworks in themselves!</i></p> <p><i>Lunch on your own</i></p> <p><i>After lunch, travel up to Montmartre and enjoy a guided visit to the area. Visit the Sacré Coeur Basilica and enjoy magnificent views over the city of Paris. Continue onto Place du Tertre where you will find rows of sketch artists and painters not only using their artistic skills but selling their works as well. Enjoy some free time exploring this quaint area of Paris.</i></p>

Dinner at a local restaurant in Montmartre.

DAY 16

17.1.17
TUESDAY

- The Louvre – guided tours?
- Conciergerie (dungeon)
- Paris Ballet performance

After breakfast, your tour guide will take you (via the Metro) to the world-famous Louvre Museum (Palais du Louvre). Enjoy a guided tour of the Louvre with some free time to explore afterwards. It is said that if you were to stand in front of every piece housed in the Louvre for one minute, it would take 4 1/2 months to see everything! Your guide will help you through the museum to see some of the most famous works of art but will also show you some magnificent not-so-well known works as well.

Free time for lunch. In the afternoon, enjoy a guided tour of le Musée des Arts Décoratifs, located in the western wing of the Palais du Louvre. . There will be some free time to explore the museum further. It houses and displays furniture, interior design, altar pieces, religious paintings, tapestries, wallpaper, ceramics and glassware, plus toys from the Middle Ages to the present day.

PARIS

DAY 17

18.1.17
WEDNESDAY

- Paris Disney – can we have a coach?

Use your metro pass and RER ticket, travel to Disneyland Paris for a fun-filled day at the happiest place on earth (in Europe!). Return to the hotel via RER & Metro in your group at leisure. (Make your own way with Metro/RER tickets provided. No guide service today)

PARIS

DAY 18

19.1.17
THURSDAY

- Pompidou Centre
- Graveyards (Oscar Wilde)?
- Potentially leave time free if there's something specific on...
- Do we want to re-visit Eiffel Tower at night?
- D'Orsay Night Visit – **open until 9:45pm on a Thursday.**

PARIS

DAY 19

20.1.17
FRIDAY

- Three choices in morning (shopping – La Fayette/Printemps?)
- Group choice for afternoon (Pantheon, Luxembourg Gardens, Natural History Museum, Butterflies...)
- Pack and leave for airport – dinner there.

PARIS to MELBOURNE

- ideally late at night

DAY 20

21.1.17
SATURDAY

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DAY 21

22.1.17
SUNDAY

PARIS to MELBOURNE