

Thematic & Educational Emphasis



A Unique Portfolio of Touring Programs
for Literary and Language Studies

with

Casterbridge

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Private Tour

Custom-Design
Your Itinerary

All-Inclusive
Tour Prices

Guaranteed
Dates & Flights



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Our Mission

Founded by Educators for Educators

Educators founded Casterbridge Tours in 1979 with the intention of pioneering a unique educational touring experience for student and adult groups. Over the course of 27 years, Casterbridge has subsequently established a reputation for operating quality travel programs combined with the highest degree of personal service and peace of mind for our group leaders.

We passionately believe in a travel philosophy of providing private, custom-designed tours to meet the exact educational and budgetary needs of all of our clients. We never combine groups, our pricing is always all-inclusive, with no hidden costs, and we feature a full-time Tour Manager/Guide and bus exclusively for your group at all times.

We invite our groups to “Learn to Travel, Travel to Learn” and discover all that the global classroom has to offer.



Our Results

A Reputation for Quality

PROVEN EXPERIENCE

- Since 1979 over 2,700 groups and 50,000 participants have traveled on Casterbridge Programs to worldwide destinations on six continents.

GROUP LEADER FEEDBACK

- All of our tours are formally evaluated by our Group Leaders at the end of every program. Over the last five years, an average of 97.5% of our clients have rated our programs from Good to Excellent.

ROYAL RECOGNITION

- After our first two decades of operation, Casterbridge was honored with the highly prestigious Queen's Award for Enterprise and enjoyed a Royal Visit to our international head office in March 2003.

Prince Edward & the Countess of Wessex present Casterbridge Tours with the Queen's Award in March 2003



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Our Services Excellence & Flexibility

Today Casterbridge offers the most diverse range of programs to an ever expanding base of regular clients, including middle and high schools, colleges and universities, alumni and special interest adult groups, churches and performing ensembles.

Our specialized services and breadth of experience allow immense flexibility to design touring programs that meet the needs of your group. While the core of our programs are all-inclusive educational tours, our purchasing power also allows us to offer highly cost-effective programs for groups with limited travel service on land or air.

If you do not wish to be combined with another group, but do wish to custom-design your personalized program around the themes, destinations and dates of your choosing, you need look no further than Casterbridge.

Call on **1-800-522-2398** or visit **www.casterbridgetours.com** for an unequalled standard of personal service, an unrivaled degree of experience, and an unqualified commitment to excellence.



The Top 10 Reasons

This is what sets us apart from the rest and why Casterbridge is widely recognized as the leader in thematic travel.



1 ALWAYS YOUR OWN PRIVATE TOUR & GUIDE

Casterbridge guarantees your own personalized itinerary and the exclusive use of a vehicle and guide with as few as 10 participants. **Your group will not be combined with other groups** or unsupervised participants from other groups who might not share your own goals or standards. It is worth noting that the most repeated positive comment from Group Leaders refers to the **personal attention** that each group receives as a result.

2 DATES GUARANTEED AT TIME OF BOOKING

Our tours all operate on **scheduled flights** and, once confirmed, we **guarantee that your tour dates will remain unaltered**. Many other operators reserve the right to change your tour dates as late as two days before departure. Indeed, the same operators reserve the right to cancel your tour altogether at a later date, due to a lack of other groups signing up on your chosen tour, even if you have been booked for months! Casterbridge will **unequivocally guarantee both your group departure and tour dates** at your time of booking.

3 A TOUR MANAGER/GUIDE 24 HOURS A DAY

From time of airport arrival until departure, your **Tour Manager/Guide is available at all times for the exclusive use of your group**. This will guarantee that your guide's undivided efforts are dedicated to ensuring that your tour is an unqualified success. The **personal touches** that our guides interject often prove to be truly memorable highlights of the tour.

4 ADVANCE NOTICE OF FLIGHTS & HOTELS

Casterbridge will always confirm your **flight details and routing** at (or in advance of) the time of booking, and we normally provide hotel lists at least three weeks prior to your departure date. **Guaranteed dates and advanced confirmation** of tour details ensure ultimate peace of mind for our group leaders, tour participants, parents and school boards alike.

5 HONESTY, INTEGRITY & NO HIDDEN EXTRAS

With Casterbridge, there are **no registration fees, adult supplements, optional excursions, hidden weekend supplements or airport taxes** to add to our tour prices. We are amazed when we examine the fine print of other companies and calculate hundreds of dollars in hidden extras! On a Casterbridge tour, we include **all excursions, activities and admissions**, as well as public transport passes in many capital cities!

“The world is a book and those who do not travel read only one page.”

Saint Augustine of Hippo





“Casterbridge is without equal in providing individualized itineraries and quality guides. The classroom cannot equal what students learn through Casterbridge’s offerings.”

Ralph Joly
English Professor, KY

...to Travel with Casterbridge

6 CUSTOMIZE ALL OF OUR ITINERARIES

We are always aware that each group has its own unique aspirations and requirements. Our reputation for excellence is based on our ability to provide **unique customized tours**, carefully planned to meet the specific requirements of individual groups. There is absolutely no extra charge for this service. Whether your emphasis is artistic, literary, historic, sporting, choral or linguistic, our Tour Coordinators will always work with you in detail to produce **a program around the precise dates, themes and destinations** of your choosing.



7 FACTORS THAT ENSURE A SUPERIOR TOUR

ROUTING - Our flights service is simply unequalled in the Educational Travel market. **Know your carrier and schedule before even booking your group** and see how Casterbridge always aims to offer the best possible flight routing.

ROOMING - We are proud of our carefully selected **quality hotels** that ensure our groups receive the best standards of comfort and cleanliness. Furthermore, **our rooming is based on twin rooms**, with only very occasional triples.

RELAXING PACE - Whenever possible we design itineraries with a **minimum of hotel changes** to avoid repeatedly packing and unpacking. Similarly, our itineraries are carefully planned to ensure travel is kept to a minimum so that the **time to visit important attractions is also maximized**.

8 CREDIBILITY, STABILITY & EXPERIENCE

Casterbridge is a member of **IATA** - International Airline Travel Agent and **ETOA** - The European Incoming Tour Operators' Association. Our experienced **Operations**



Team is based in Europe, and our knowledgeable **Tour Coordinators are based in Virginia**. With 26 years under the same management, and references across the country, our record of stability and excellence is proven and unequalled.



9 UNAMBIGUOUS PRICE GUARANTEE PLAN

Once full payment has been acknowledged, we guarantee that there will be **no price increases or surcharges for any reason**. Every effort is made to eliminate unpleasant surprises, hence our unambiguous price guarantee plan and our all-inclusive pricing policy.

10 COUNTLESS GROUP LEADER REFERENCES

The fact that Casterbridge has grown to date primarily through **word-of-mouth recommendations** is a testimony to the quality of our services, the academic nature of our programs, and the **unparalleled level of personal attention** we offer to all our groups and clients.



Superior Services

Many Group Leaders only learn in retrospect that there is a huge disparity between the tours and services offered by Educational Operators.



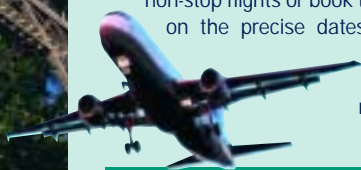
Although destinations may be similar, hotel selection, the services of the Tour Guide, and the pre-tour planning are just some of the critical factors that can make or break a tour.

BENEFITS OF INDEPENDENT GROUP TRAVEL

Casterbridge **never combines groups!** It is an unfortunate fact of life that larger Educational Tour Operators will combine groups to ensure they have a full busload. It is equally unfortunate that these combined groups rarely share the same goals often leading to differing aspirations on tour. It is only by **traveling as an independent group** that you can ensure that your **cultural goals are attained** and that the group's **standard of discipline or code of conduct** is fully upheld.

BEST FLIGHTS ON GUARANTEED DATES

Our excellent relationship with the major carriers, notably **British Airways, Delta, Air France, Continental and Virgin Atlantic**, allow us to provide non-stop flights or book the **best flight routing possible for your group** on the precise dates you select. Other operators reserve the right to change your dates. **Casterbridge guarantees your tour dates** and, in fact, you may often **know your flight schedule and routing up to 11 months prior to departure.**



EFFICIENT ARRIVAL DAYS

As we offer the most convenient flight schedule available, and as you are never combined with other groups, you depart from the airport in your private bus without delay. **You will never wait at the airport for other groups to arrive.** Many operators employ couriers to escort you to your hotel and to reappear for scheduled sightseeing on the next day. Functions such as facilitating money exchange, explaining currency, or giving directions make the arrival day a time you will most **appreciate the 24-hour service offered by your Casterbridge Tour Manager/Guide.**

24-HOUR TOUR MANAGER/GUIDE

Casterbridge's success can be attributed in no small degree to the unparalleled **services offered by our Tour Manager/Guides.** Most of our guides graduate from our renowned training courses. There they acquire our unique emphasis on the personal needs of every group. From arrival until departure, **your Tour Manager/Guide is available for the exclusive use of your group, quite literally, 24 hours a day.**

"He who does not know foreign languages does not know anything about his own."

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe





“This was an incredible trip. Our first hotel in Sicily was awesome and the food was great! Our Pompeii guide was the best we've had in my 33 years of travel!”

Sue Robertson
Latin Teacher, VA

Quality and Peace of Mind

ALL EXCURSIONS & ADMISSIONS INCLUDED



Our philosophy is to **get off the bus** and take walking tours and **in-depth visits** to important sites. We also supplement the knowledge of our Tour Managers/Guides with **local experts at select locations** to ensure your educational goals are fully met. You will discover that, not only are all excursions included, **all the admission charges** are also covered. Casterbridge includes a full sightseeing program to maximize the cultural experience and ensure that no individuals are excluded.

QUALITY ACCOMMODATIONS

We know that the **quality of hotels** is a major factor contributing to the success of your tour, as well as an important part of the cultural experience. As such, we aim to combine **convenient locations with cleanliness and local character**.

Our standard range of tourist and superior tourist class hotels always **offer private bathrooms, comfort and excellent value for money**. You might be surprised to discover that other operators add roll-away beds and camp beds to twin rooms and place four or more participants into a room! We do not consider this acceptable and all our hotels use proper beds with **rooming on a twin, or occasional triple, basis**.

Our Group Leaders consistently award our hotel choices high ratings yet we are **continually evaluating and inspecting new properties** with your complete comfort and satisfaction as our goal.

AN EMPHASIS ON NATIVE CUISINE

Dining out and sampling local specialties should be one of the cultural highlights of any tour abroad. We always aim to give our groups **a taste of the local cuisine**. Dinners will either be in the hotel or in local restaurants. Often on tour there will be a mix of both. The restaurants we select for dinner will serve **authentic and traditional meals** representing the country's typical menu. Sometimes there will be a set menu, while at other times you can select from different choices of starter, main course and dessert. On most tours, **lunches are at the expense of each individual participant** and provide an element of flexibility in each day. Your Tour Manager/Guide will also be there to recommend local cafes, restaurants or bakeries.



Call us today at **1-800-522-2398** or simply register online at **www.casterbridgetours.com**



How Do We Compare?

“There was no comparison between our experience this year with Casterbridge and our experience last year with CHA. Casterbridge is far superior. We saw everything on our itinerary and then some.”

Kelly Robinette
English Teacher, CA



The entire Casterbridge Philosophy is designed to give greater peace of mind for principals and group leaders, not simply while on tour but also during pre-tour preparations. Unfortunately, the fine print in the literature of many tour operators all too often conceals numerous contingencies of which a Group Leader may be unaware at time of booking.... only to receive a nasty shock at a later date.

Please review the **CASTERBRIDGE COMPARISON CHART** below to discover some of the issues concerned.

Questions to Pose to Your Tour Operator	Casterbridge Tours	Other Operators
1. Are all of your published prices based on the fact that our group will never be combined with other groups ?	YES	NO
2. Will you ensure that our tour dates are always guaranteed at time of booking?	YES	NO All reserve the right to change your tour dates
3. Will you guarantee that there is never a registration fee to be applied to your tour costs?	YES	NO Add \$100 - \$150 as applicable
4. Are Airport taxes/Fuel charges always included in advance in all of your tour costs?	YES	NO Add \$150 - \$350 as applicable
5. Will weekend supplements always be included in advance in your tour costs?	YES	NO Add \$30 - \$75 as applicable
6. Will you guarantee that there is no adult or twin room supplement added to your costs?	YES	NO Add a flat fee plus \$25 a day approximately
7. Will you guarantee that there are no optional excursions on all of your tours?	YES	NO Supplements vary in all destinations
8. Are all costs covered for group sightseeing on public transportation in capital cities?	YES	Unspecified
9. Will you ensure that all requested admission costs are always included in your tour costs?	YES	Unspecified
10. Will a Tour Manager be available at all times for our group and to suggest evening activities?	YES	Unspecified

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“Fiona, our Casterbridge guide, was an absolute dream. Efficient, cheerful, knowledgeable, fun to be around, and flexible, too. She really made everything we did very easy.”

Alissa Kranz, Latin Teacher, PA

Literary & Language Programs

On Our Destination Pages

1. The tours listed are just a small sample of the **itineraries we offer**.
2. Any of our tours are easily adjusted to shorter or longer options - **itinerary lengths are by no means set in stone!**
3. We can adjust any tour by adding or deleting relevant destinations. We will always be pleased to provide a **customized itinerary** to meet your particular requirements.



4. We have over 27 years of experience in providing custom-designed itineraries. Invariably the most successful tours combine a mix of **educational, cultural and recreational activities**.

5. You may view complete daily tour programs for all the featured itineraries in this brochure on our website:
www.casterbridgetours.com

6. Call **1-800-522-2398** to request a quote from your nearest gateway.

What is Included

- 1 Round trip airfare with a major carrier on scheduled flights & guaranteed dates
- 2 Current airport taxes & fuel charges
- 3 Accommodation in quality hotels with twin, or on occasion, triple rooms
- 4 Continental breakfast and dinner throughout
- 5 Transportation by private coach for transfers and touring
- 6 Capital city pass (if needed)
- 7 All admissions, activities & excursions as per the itinerary
- 8 A full-time Tour Manager/Guide to accompany the group
- 9 Local specialist guides (as required)
- 10 One free place per 6 paying participants (or requested ratio)
- 11 All applicable taxes

What is not Included

- 1 Lunches or beverages with meals
- 2 Visas (if needed)
- 3 Gratuities
- 4 Travel Insurance (optional)

If requested, we offer a Comprehensive Travel Insurance Policy. The cost of the Insurance will be stated on your quotation and is based on age of participant and tour length.

E-TOURS IS E-ASY!

Casterbridge E-Tours is a unique service from Casterbridge Tours

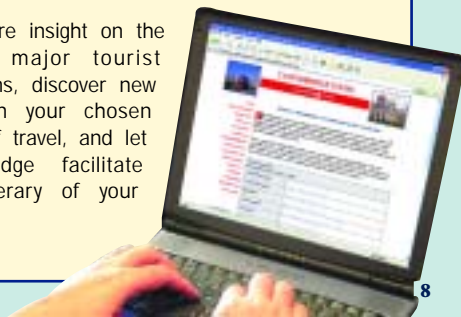
Casterbridge has been arranging custom-designed educational travel programs since 1979. Over 26 years, we have acquired extensive knowledge of all touring options in major world destinations. This expertise is shared online with our clients at our unique Casterbridge E-Tours facility.

This comprehensive, interactive database will:

- Allow you to custom-design the precise content for your touring program.
- Outline other options of cultural interest in the region you are visiting.

- Submit your selections to our office for a response, including a detailed itinerary, returned to you within 72 hours!

Gain more insight on the world's major tourist attractions, discover new sights in your chosen region of travel, and let Casterbridge facilitate the itinerary of your dreams.



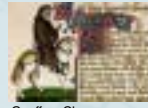
Literary England

“Our guide Douglas was very knowledgeable about the authors (Hardy, Shakespeare, Brontes).”

Laura Hunt, English Teacher, VA



Period Timeline



Geoffrey Chaucer

Elizabethan Age
(1558 - 1603)



Lord Byron

Victorian Period
(1837 - 1901)

Middle English Period
(1066 - 1500)



William Shakespeare

Romantic Period
(1775 - 1832)



The Bronte Sisters

SAMPLE ITINERARIES

Tour Title & Overnights

Costs and Other Highlights

LIT 01	Literary London London (7)	9 days from \$2,349 <i>Stratford, Canterbury, Rochester, Oxford</i>
LIT 03	Shakespeare's England Stratford (3), Sallsbury (1), London (3)	9 days from \$2,469 <i>Oxford, Warwick, Stonehenge, Wilton House, Windsor</i>
LIT 04	Theater in England Stratford (2), London (5)	9 days from \$2,599 <i>Oxford, Warwick, Cambridge</i>
LIT 05	King Arthur in England Wessex (2), Cornwall (2), South Wales (1), Chester (2), Cotswolds (2), London (2)	13 days from \$2,899 <i>Winchester, Glastonbury, Wells, Tintagel, Bath, Caerleon, Caernarfon, Sudeley, Snowhill</i>
LIT 06	British Women Authors Haworth (2), Bath (2), Brighton (1), London (3)	10 days from \$2,489 <i>Hebden Bridge, Heptonstall, Tintern Abbey, Chawton, Winchester, Lewes</i>
LIT 07	Poetic Landscapes Lake District (3), South Wales (2), Wessex (2), London (2)	11 days from \$2,619 <i>Grasmere, Windermere, Haworth, Chester, Tintern Abbey, Swansea, Bath, Lyme Regis, East Coker, Dorchester, Salisbury</i>
LIT 08	Lives of the Great Novelists Edinburgh (2), Carlisle (1), Lake District (2), Stratford (2), London (3)	12 days from \$2,749 <i>Stirling, Alloway, Haworth, Warwick, Oxford</i>
LIT 09	Inspirations for Harry Potter York (3), Corris (1), Warwick (2), Bath (1), London (3)	12 days from \$2,729 <i>Hogwarts Express, Owl Center, Alnwick Castle, Shrewsbury, Oxford, Gloucester, Lacock Abbey</i>
LIT 10	Modern British Literature Canterbury (2), Brighton (1), Wessex (3), Eastwood (1) Oxford (1), London (3)	13 days from \$2,879 <i>Sevenoaks, Maidstone, Rye, Lewes, Salisbury, Dorchester, East Coker, Lyme Regis, Laugharne, Swansea, Bromsgrove, Birmingham, Cambridge</i>

Top Literary Visits



- Wordsworth's Dove Cottage - Grasmere
- Bronte Parsonage Museum - Haworth
- D.H Lawrence Birthplace Museum - Eastwood
- Charleston Farm House - Woolf
- Ruskin's Brantwood - Coniston Water

Theater Programs Can Include



Our theater programs offer unique opportunities, including:

- Make-up Demonstrations
- Backstage Theater Tours
- Guided Theater Walking Tours
- Top Musical or Dramatic Performances
- Workshop at the Globe Theater

Writers Thematic Days



Design a thematic day around:

- William Wordsworth
- Jane Austen
- Charles Dickens
- The Brontes
- Lewis Carroll
- Thomas Hardy
- Alfred Tennyson

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LIT 02 - Literary Southern England

Wessex • Stratford • London - 9 Days from \$2,489

Austen • Wordsworth • Dickens • Shakespeare • Eliot • Hardy • Carroll • Chaucer



Day 1 Depart North America

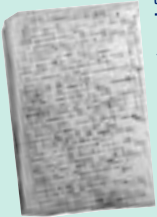
Today we fly to London.

Day 2 Arrive London - Winchester - Wessex (3 Nights)

Our tour manager/guide will meet us, and we travel to Chawton. There we will visit **Jane Austen's Home**. We continue to Winchester, where we visit **Winchester Castle** to view **King Arthur's Round Table**, and **Winchester Cathedral**, the burial place of Jane Austen.

Day 3 Tintern Abbey & Bath

This morning we visit **Tintern Abbey**, immortalized in Wordsworth's sonnet. We continue to Bath for a **Walking Tour of Jane Austen's Bath**, a visit to the **Jane Austen Centre**, the **Assembly Rooms** and **Costume Museum**, and the **Roman Baths**.



Day 4 Dorchester, East Coker & Glastonbury

This morning we visit **Thomas Hardy's Cottage** and **Stinsford Church**, where we will view Hardy's

Grave. We continue to East Coker to read some of T.S. Eliot's work in the **Churchyard** where his ashes are buried. Our afternoon includes a hike to **Glastonbury Tor** and a visit to **Glastonbury Abbey**.

Day 5 Wessex - Stratford (1 Night)

We travel to Stratford-upon-Avon. Our day includes visits to **Shakespeare's Birthplace**, the modern **Shakespeare Centre**, **Holy Trinity Church** and **Anne Hathaway's Cottage**.

Day 6 Stratford - Oxford - London (3 Nights)

We travel to Oxford for a **Literary Walking Tour** through the many colleges that make up Oxford. We also visit **Christ Church College**, including **Christ Church Cathedral**. We continue to London.

Day 7 Literary London

We begin with a visit to **Westminster Abbey**, including **Poets' Corner**, featuring memorials to famous British literary figures. Next we visit the **Shakespeare Globe Theater Museum**. Our afternoon includes a **Walking Tour** through the **London of**

Shakespeare and Dickens and a visit to the **Dickens Museum**.

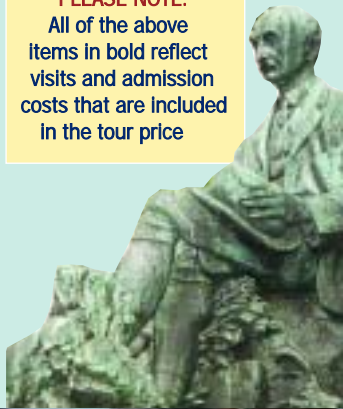
Day 8 Canterbury & Rochester

Today we focus on two great literary figures, **Geoffrey Chaucer** and **Charles Dickens**. First we travel to **Canterbury**, where we will visit **Canterbury Cathedral** and **The Canterbury Tales**. We continue to **Rochester** where we will visit the **Charles Dickens Centre**. We return to London for the evening.

Day 9 Depart London

We transfer to the airport for the return flight home.

PLEASE NOTE:
All of the above items in bold reflect visits and admission costs that are included in the tour price



Canterbury Cathedral



Radcliffe Camera, Oxford



Performance at the Globe Theater, London

You will Have Your Own Private Tour & Your Dates are Guaranteed at Time of Booking

Literary Ireland & Scotland

“Our Guide added so much more to our literary tour - knowledge, humor, compassion, a genuine interest in people, places, history, art, architecture, politics and religion.”

Juliene Forrester, College Professor, IL



Period Timeline



Robert Burns

Late Scottish Romantic Period
(1775 - 1832)



William Butler Yeats

The Modern Period
(1914 - 1945)

Early Scottish Romantic Period
(1759 - 1796)



Sir Walter Scott

Edwardian Period
(1901 - 1914)



James Joyce

SAMPLE ITINERARIES

Tour Title & Overnights

Costs and Other Highlights

LIT 11	Literary Dublin Dublin (6)	8 days from \$2,249 <i>Sandy Cove, Kavanagh Center</i>
LIT 12	Yeats' Ireland Galway (2), Sligo (3), Dublin (3)	10 days from \$2,389 <i>Cliffs of Moher, The Burren, Thoor Ballylee, Coole Park, Rosses Point</i>
LIT 13	Literary Ireland Galway (2), Sligo (2), Dublin (4)	10 days from \$2,399 <i>Cliffs of Moher, Burren, Thoor Ballylee, Coole Park, Rosses Point, Sandy Cove, Kavanagh Country</i>
LIT 14	Literary Edinburgh Edinburgh (6)	8 days from \$2,349 <i>Stirling, Abbotsford, Melrose Abbey, Dryburgh Abbey</i>
LIT 15	Literary Scotland Ayrshire (3), Borders (2), Edinburgh (3)	10 days from \$2,429 <i>Culzean Castle, Burns Country, Loch Lomond, Selkirk, Peebles, Kelso, Borders Tour</i>
LIT 17	Ireland, Scotland & England Galway (1), Sligo (2), Dublin (2), Ayrshire (1), Edinburgh (2), Lake District (2)	12 days from \$2,799 <i>Cliffs of Moher, Burren, Thoor Ballylee, Coole Park, Alloway, Dove Cottage</i>
LIT 18	Literary Scotland & England Edinburgh (2), Lake District (2), Stratford (2), Wessex (2), London (2)	12 days from \$2,779 <i>Alloway, Haworth, Oxford, Bath, Hardy Country, East Coker, Winchester</i>
LIT 19	Literary Ireland & England Galway (1), Sligo (2), Dublin (2), Stratford (2), Bath (1), London (2)	12 days from \$2,789 <i>Burren, Thoor Ballylee, Coole Park, Sandy Cove, Oxford, Winchester, Chawton</i>
LIT 20	Literary England & France Wessex (3), Stratford (1), London (2), Paris (4)	12 days from \$2,829 <i>Winchester, Bath, Hardy Country, East Coker, Oxford, Illiers-Combray, Medan</i>

Top Visits to Include



Literary visit options in Ireland & Scotland:

- Coole Park - *Yeats*
- Glencar Lake - *Yeats*
- Martello Tower - *Joyce*
- St. Patrick's Cathedral - *Swift*
- Burns Cottage - *Burns*
- Melrose Abbey - *Scott*

Literary Options



Include unique academic and cultural activities in any tour:

- Attend a Literary Banquet
- Enjoy Poetry Readings
- View Original Manuscripts
- Take Thematic Walking Tours
- Go on a Literary Pub Crawl in Dublin
- Walk on Inspirational Landscapes

Author Thematic Days



Design a thematic day around:

- W.B. Yeats
- James Joyce
- Robert Burns
- Sir Walter Scott
- R.L. Stevenson
- Jonathan Swift
- Patrick Kavanagh
- Oscar Wilde
- G.B. Shaw

View our detailed itineraries or register for a Quick Quote at www.casterbridgetours.com



LIT 16 - Literary Scholars of Ireland & Scotland

Sligo • Dublin • Ayrshire • Edinburgh - 10 Days from \$2,259

Yeats • Joyce • Swift • Kavanagh • Wilde • Burns • Scott • Stevenson



Day 1 Depart North America

Today we fly to Shannon.

Day 2 Arrive Shannon - Cliffs of Moher - Galway (1 Night)

Our tour manager will meet us at the airport. Today we visit the **Cliffs of Moher**, then take a scenic drive through **The Burren**. We continue to Galway.

Day 3 Galway - Thoor Ballylee & Coole Park - Sligo (2 Nights)

Today we visit **Thoor Ballylee**, a summer home to the poet W.B. Yeats; and **Coole Park**, where Yeats often visited his friend, Lady Augusta Gregory. After poetry reading, we continue to Sligo.

Day 4 Day Dedicated to Yeats

Today is dedicated to W.B. Yeats. We follow the **Yeats Trail** around Lough Gill. Our day includes a walk to **Dooney Rock**, a **Boat Ride to the Isle of Innisfree**, and **Glencar Lough**, to view the waterfall that Yeats described in his poem *The Stolen Child*. We conclude in Drumcliffe, site of the **Church of Ireland Cemetery** where Yeats is buried.

Day 5 Sligo - Dublin (2 Nights)

This morning we travel to Dublin. Our afternoon includes a visit to **St. Patrick's Cathedral**, **St. Stephen's Green** and **Merrion Square**.

Day 6 Literary Dublin

Today we visit **Trinity College** to view the *Book of Kells*, followed by a brief visit to the **National Library**. This afternoon we visit the **James Joyce Cultural Center** and the **Dublin Writers' Museum**.

Day 7 Dublin - Ayrshire (1 Night)

Today we travel to Larne, where we take a ferry to Cairnryan in Scotland and continue to our hotel in Ayrshire.

Day 8 Ayrshire - Burns Country - Edinburgh (2 Nights)

This morning we visit the **Burns National Heritage Park** where we will experience the pride, passion and power of Robert Burns. We visit **Burns Cottage**, the **Museum**, walk across auld Brig O'Doon, view the Burns Monument, and enjoy the **Tam O'Shanter Experience**. We continue to Edinburgh.



Day 9 Literary Edinburgh

We begin with a visit to **Edinburgh Castle**, followed by a Walking Tour along the **Royal Mile**. Next we ascend the **Scott Monument**, to view the Burns Monument, before visiting the **Writers' Museum**, featuring items from Burns, Scott and Stevenson.

Day 10 Depart Edinburgh

We transfer to the airport for the return flight home.

PLEASE NOTE:

All of the above items in bold reflect visits and admission costs that are included in the tour price



Group at Coole Park



Portrait of Robert Burns



Edinburgh Writers' Museum

There are No Hidden Costs, such as Registration Fees, Airport Taxes or Adult Supplements

Literary Europe

"From my vantage point, I think the trip provided a rich mixture of history, art, literature and nuance of a foreign culture."

Ralph Joly, College Professor, KY

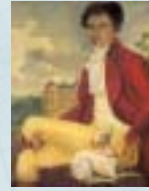


Period Timeline



Dante Alighieri

Weimar Classicism
(1749-1832)



Alexander Dumas

French Realism
(1802-1885)

Late Middle Ages
(1280-1310)



Johann von Goethe

French Romanticism
(1802-1870)



Victor Hugo

SAMPLE ITINERARIES

Tour Title & Overnights

Costs and Other Highlights

LIT 22	Cervantes Spain Valladolid (2), Toledo (3), Madrid (2)	9 days from \$2,379 <i>Alcala-de-Henares, Segovia, Consegra, Campo de Criptana, El Toboso, Albacete, Lagunas de Ruidera</i>
LIT 23	20th Century Spanish Literature Barcelona (1), O/N Train (1), Granada (1), La Mancha (1), Madrid (3)	9 days from \$2,429 <i>La Sagrada Familia, Alhambra, The Prado Museum, Salamanca</i>
LIT 24	Literary Paris Paris (7)	9 days from \$2,299 <i>Illiers-Combray, Medan, Chartres, Port Marly</i>
LIT 25	The French Novelists Paris (6), Avignon (2), Nice (1)	11 days from \$2,439 <i>Illiers-Combray, Medan, Chartres, Port Marly, Marseille</i>
LIT 26	Literary Germany Heidelberg (2), Wetzlar (3), Weimar (2), Berlin (3)	12 days from \$2,569 <i>Mainz, Marbach, Frankfurt, Hanau, Kassel, Dusseldorf, Thuringia Forest, Jena, Leipzig</i>
LIT 27	Literary Italy Venice (2), Bologna (2), Florence (2), Rome (3)	11 days from \$2,779 <i>Verona, Ravenna, Modena, Ferrara, Fiesole, Certaldo</i>
LIT 28	King Arthur in England & France Wessex (2), Cornwall (2), Morlaix (2), Josselin (2), Paris (2)	12 days from \$2,819 <i>Winchester, Glastonbury, Cadbury Castle, Dunster, Tintagel, Plymouth, Huelgoat Forest, Dinan, Paimpont, Chartres</i>
LIT 29	Following the Da Vinci Code Paris (2), London (3), Yorkshire (1), Edinburgh (2)	10 days from \$2,689 <i>Oxford, York, Rosslyn</i>
LIT 30	Dan Brown's Angels & Demons Rome (6)	8 days from \$2,349 <i>This tour will follow Dr. Langdon on the "Path of the Illuminati"</i>

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Top Literary Visits



Literary visit options in Europe:

- Notre-Dame Cathedral, Paris
- Church of Santa Croce, Florence
- Cappella Scrovegni, Padua
- Chateau d'If, Marseille
- Goethe Museum, Frankfurt
- Juliet's Balcony, Verona

Literary Touring Options



Include Literary activities into a thematic custom-designed tour in Europe:

- Enjoy Poetry Readings
- View Original Manuscripts
- Take Thematic Walking Tours
- Visit Authors' Homes
- Attend Performances

Author Thematic Days



Design a thematic day around:

- Goethe
- Schiller
- Hugo
- Dumas
- Hemingway
- Cervantes
- Lorca
- Dante

LIT 21 - Literary Spain

Salamanca • Toledo • Granada • Malaga • Seville • Madrid - 11 Days from \$2,299

This tour will focus on the lives and works of Unamuno, Cervantes & Lorca



Day 1 Depart North America

Today we fly to Madrid.

Day 2 Arrive Madrid - Alcala - Salamanca (2 Nights)

Our tour manager/guide will meet us in Madrid. We stop in Alcala de Henares to visit the **Casa-Museo de Cervantes**. We continue to Salamanca.

Day 3 Unamuno's Salamanca

Today we take a **Walking Tour**, to include the **Plaza Mayor** and the **University of Salamanca**, including the **Unamuno Museum**.

Day 4 Salamanca - El Escorial - Toledo (1 Night)

We begin with a visit to **El Escorial**, including the spectacular **Library** with over 40,000 original books. We continue to Toledo for a **Walking Tour** and a visit to **Toledo Cathedral**.

Day 5 Toledo - La Mancha - Granada (2 Nights)

We begin with a visit to the **Iglesia de Santo Tome** before taking a scenic drive through Cervantes' **La Mancha**.



After visits to **Consegura** and **La Casa de Dulcinea**, we continue to Granada for a stroll through the **Albaicin**.

Day 6 Lorca's Granada

Our morning includes a guided tour of the **Alhambra** and **Generalife**. This afternoon we will take the **Vega de Granada Tour**, which focuses on the early life and inspirations of Lorca.

Day 7 Lorca's Granada - Ronda (1 Night)

We begin with a guided **Walking Tour** through the center of Granada, where Lorca spent his youth and adolescence. Next we visit **Huerta de San Vicente** that today houses the **Casa Museo Federico Lorca**. After a guided **Walking Tour**, entitled 'Lorca's Last Return to Granada,' we travel to Ronda.

Day 8 Ronda - Seville (1 Night)

This morning we take a '**Hemingway in Ronda Walking Tour**' and visit the world famous **Plaza de Toros**.

We continue to Seville to ascend **La Giralda**, visit **Seville Cathedral** and walk in the **Parque de Maria Luisa**.

Day 9 Seville - Cordoba - Madrid (2 Nights)

We travel to Cordoba to visit the exquisite **Mezquita-Catedral**, followed by a walk in the **Juderia**. We continue to Madrid.

Day 10 Madrid

Today we visit the **Palacio Real**, followed by a walk through **Plaza Mayor**. Our afternoon includes the **Puerta de Alcala**, the **Plaza de Cibeles**, and a guided tour of the **Prado**, which features a large collection of works by Velazquez and Goya. We also stroll the **Parque del Retiro** and hire **Row Boats** on the lake.

Day 11 Depart Madrid

We take our return flight home.

PLEASE NOTE:

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The Alhambra, Granada



Miguel de Cervantes



Puente Nuevo, Ronda

There are No Hidden Costs, such as Registration Fees, Airport Taxes or Adult Supplements

French Language Programs

“The homestay worked wonderfully; the kids liked the school (classes) and for the most part, they really tried to speak French”
Derek Kannemeyer, Language Teacher, VA



Language Activities



Language School facilities

Specialty Courses or Lessons



Saty with a Host family

School Visits

French Language Classes



Recreational Activities

Homestay Options



Include a School Visit

SAMPLE FRENCH ITINERARIES

Tour Title & Overnights Costs and Other Highlights

Tour Title & Overnights	Costs and Other Highlights
LA 02 French on the Cote D'Azur Cote d'Azur (Homestay 7 nights) * 5 mornings of French Classes	9 days from \$2,369 <i>Nice, Cagnes-sur-Mer, Grasse, Antibes, Eze, Cannes, Monaco</i>
LA 03 French in Rouen Rouen (Homestay 5 nights), Paris (3) * 5 mornings of French Classes	10 days from \$2,419 <i>Route des Abbayes, Honfleur, Etretat, Pont l'Eveque, Versailles</i>
LA 04 French in St. Malo St. Malo (Homestay 5 nights), Bayeux (1), Paris (3) * 5 mornings of French Classes	11 days from \$2,539 <i>Mont St. Michel, Comburg, Dinan, D-Day Beaches</i>
LA 05 French in Bordeaux Bordeaux (Homestay 5 nights), Paris (3) * 5 mornings of French Classes	10 days from \$2,399 <i>Angouleme, Saintes</i>
LA 06 French in Aix-en-Provence Aix (Homestay 5 nights), Paris (3) * 5 mornings of French Classes	10 days from \$2,359 <i>Cannes, Glanum, Arles, Avignon, Pont-du-Gard, Nimes</i>
LA 07 French in Strasbourg Strasbourg (Homestay 5 nights), Reims (1), Paris (3) * 5 mornings of French Classes	11 days from \$2,429 <i>Colmar, Chateau Koenigbourg, Saverne</i>
LA 08 French in Toulouse Nimes (1), Toulouse (Homestay 5 nights), Paris (3) * 5 mornings of French Classes	11 days from \$2,479 <i>Aix-en-Provence, Aigues Mortes, Carcassonne, Albi</i>
LA 09 French in Lille Brussels (1), Lille (Homestay 5 nights), Paris (3) * 5 mornings of French Classes	11 days from \$2,419 <i>Amiens, Arras, Flandre Maritime</i>
LA 10 French in Biarritz Biarritz (Homestay 5 nights), Paris (3) * 5 mornings of French Classes	10 days from \$2,549 <i>St-Jean-de-Luz, Bayonne</i>

Included in Our French Programs



- Language Classes (3 per morning) for a minimum of 5 days
- All books and required materials
- Custom-designed courses to meet students levels
- Access to all resources & facilities at the Language School
- Stay with local Host families (half-board)

Special Options We Can Offer



Include unique academic and cultural activities in any tour:

- School Visits
- Evening Activities at the Language School
- Homestay (3 night minimum)
- Cooking Classes
- Special Interest Courses

Other French Programs



Custom-design an itinerary to include a homestay or language classes in:

- St-Raphael
- Nancy
- Lyon
- Avignon
- Nantes
- Besancon
- Montpellier
- Quebec

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LAN 01 - Language Learning in the Loire Valley

Loire Valley (Homestay) • Paris

All-Inclusive Costs beginning at \$2,289 based on low season



Day 1 Depart North America

Today we fly to Paris.

Day 2 Arrive Paris - Chartres - Loire Valley (5 Night Homestay)

Our tour manager/guide will meet us in Paris. We stop to visit **Chartres Cathedral** before continuing to meet our **Host Families**.

Day 3 Classes & Chambord

This afternoon we visit **Chateau Chambord**. We return for an evening with our host families.

• French Language Classes

Day 4 Classes & Amboise

This afternoon we visit **Chateau d'Amboise**, a one-time royal residence, including the **Petite Chapel**, possible burial place of Leonardo da Vinci. Next we visit **Le Clos Luce** where Leonardo spent the last years of his life. We return for an evening with our host families.

• French Language Classes

Day 5 Classes & Chenonceau

This afternoon we visit **Chateau Chenonceau**, forever associated with Diane de Poitiers and Catherine de Medici. We return for an evening with our host families.

• French Language Classes

Day 6 Classes & Chinon

This afternoon we visit the **Château de Chinon**, including the **Museum of Joan of Arc**. We return for an evening with our host families.

• French Language Classes

Day 7 Classes - Versailles - Paris (3 Nights)

This afternoon we visit **Versailles**, including the ornate **State Apartments** and the extensive **Gardens**, before continuing to Paris for a **Seine River Cruise**, a perfect introduction to the city.

• French Language Classes

Day 8 Paris

Our morning includes an ascent of the **Arc de Triomphe**, a stroll along the **Champs Elysees**, the **Jardin des Tuileries** and a visit to the **Louvre** to view Leonardo da Vinci's **Mona Lisa**. Our afternoon includes a visit to **Notre Dame Cathedral** and a stroll through the **Latin Quarter**.

Day 9 Paris

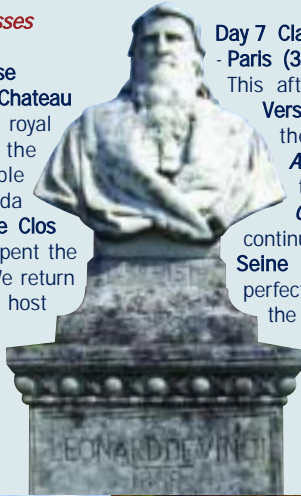
This morning we ascend to the top of the **Eiffel Tower**. Next we will visit the spectacular **Musee d'Orsay**, featuring one of the world's finest selections of Impressionist art. This afternoon we visit the elegant stores of **Au Printemps** and **Galeries Lafayette**. Tonight we ascend to **Montmartre** and visit the **Sacre-Coeur Basilica**.

Day 10 Depart Paris

We transfer to the airport for the return flight home.

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Chateau Chenonceau



The Musee du Louvre in Paris



Eiffel Tower, Paris

Spanish Language Programs

"I wanted to let you both know that our trip to Spain was wonderful! Silvia was as good of a guide as we could have imagined. Thanks again for all your support."

Ray Quessel, Spanish Teacher, NC



Language Activities



Spanish in Benalmadena

Specialty Courses or Lessons



Stay with a Host Family

School Visits

Language Classes



Flamenco Lessons

Homestay Options



Include a School Visit

SAMPLE SPANISH ITINERARIES

Tour Title & Overnights

Costs and Other Highlights

LA 12	Spanish in Seville	10 days from \$2,399
	Seville (Homestay 5 nights), Cordoba (1), Madrid (2)	Seville Cathedral, Reales Alcazares, Plaza de Toros, Italica, Santiponce, La Mezquita, Toledo, El Prado
	* 5 mornings of Spanish Classes	
LA 13	Spanish in Granada	11 days from \$2,289
	Granada (Homestay 5 nights), Cordoba (2), Madrid (2)	Antequera, Jaen, Nerja, Seville, Toledo
	* 5 mornings of Spanish Classes	
LA 14	Spanish in Salamanca	10 days from \$2,229
	Salamanca (Homestay 5 nights), Madrid (3)	Segovia, Avila, Sierra de Gredos, El Escorial, Toledo
	* 5 mornings of Spanish Classes	
LA 15	Spanish in Toledo	9 days from \$2,249
	Toledo (Homestay 5 nights), Madrid (2)	Segovia, Talavera de la Reina, El Escorial
	* 5 mornings of Spanish Classes	
LA 16	Spanish in Santander	11 days from \$2,419
	Burgos (1), Santander (Homestay 5 nights), Valladolid (1), Madrid (2)	Segovia, Bilbao, Castro Urdiales, Santillana del Mar, Comillas, El Escorial
	* 5 mornings of Spanish Classes	
LA 17	Spanish in San Sebastian	11 days from \$2,439
	Burgos (1), San Sebastian (Homestay 5 nights), Lerida (1), Barcelona (2)	Segovia, Bilbao, Guernika, Costa Vasca, Pamplona
	* 5 mornings of Spanish Classes	
LA 18	Spanish in Costa Rica	8 days from \$2,079
	San Jose (Homestay 7 nights)	Heredia, Poas Volcano, La Paz, Sarchi, Rafting, Aerial Tram
	* 5 mornings of Spanish Classes	
LA 19	Spanish in Merida	8 days from \$1,699
	Merida (7)	Progreso Beach, Dzidilchaltun, Chichen-Itza, Ik-Kil Cenote, Hacienda Yaxotoil, Uxmal, Celestun
	* 5 mornings of Spanish Classes	
LA 20	Spanish in Honduras	8 days from \$1,999
	Copan Ruinas (Homestay 7 nights)	Copan Ruins, Chorti Maya, Macaw Mountain, Horseback Riding, Hot Springs, Coffee Plantation
	* 5 mornings of Spanish Classes	

Included in Spanish Programs



- Language Classes (3 per morning) for a minimum of 5 days
- All books and required materials
- Custom-designed courses to meet students levels
- Access to all resources & facilities at the Language School
- Accommodation with local Host families (half-board)

Special Options We Can Offer



Include unique academic and cultural activities in any tour:

- Flamenco or Salsa Lessons
- School Visits
- Evening Activities at the Language School
- Homestay (3 night minimum)
- Cooking Classes

Other Spanish Programs



Custom-design a language program in:

- Alicante
- Barcelona
- Murcia
- Cadiz
- Cuernavaca
- Guanacaste
- Quito
- Buenos Aires
- Cusco
- Guadalajara

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LAN 11 - Learn Spanish on the Costa del Sol

Toledo • Granada • Benalmadena (Homestay) • Seville • Madrid

All-Inclusive Costs beginning at \$2,399 based on low season



Day 1 Depart North America

Today we fly to Madrid.

Day 2 Arrive Madrid - Toledo (1 Night)

Our tour manager/guide will meet us in Madrid. We travel to Toledo for a **Walking Tour** and a visit to **Toledo Cathedral**.

Day 3 Toledo - Granada (1 Night)

We visit the **Iglesia de Santo Tome** and the **Sinagoga del Transito** before traveling to Granada, for a stroll through the **Albaicin**.

Day 4 Granada - Nerja - Benalmadena (5 Night Homestay)

We take a tour of the **Alhambra** and the **Generalife**. Next we stop in Nerja before continuing to Benalmadena to meet our **Host Families**.

Day 5 Classes & Malaga

This afternoon we visit Malaga's **Alcazaba**, **Museo Arqueologico**, and **Castillo de Gibralfaro**. We return to our host families.

- *Spanish Language Classes*

Day 6 Classes & Benalmadena

This afternoon we relax on the **Beach**, and then we will take



Flamenco Lessons. We return to our host families.

- *Spanish Language Classes*

Day 7 Classes & Antequera

This afternoon we visit Antequera's hilltop **Castle** and the **Dolmens**. We return to our host families.

- *Spanish Language Classes*

Day 8 Classes & Mijas

This afternoon we visit the white town of Mijas. We return to our host families.

- *Spanish Language Classes*

Day 9 Classes - Ronda - Seville (2 Nights)

This afternoon we travel to Ronda for a **Pueblo Blanco Walking Tour**

and a visit to the **Plaza de Toros**. We continue to Seville.

- *Spanish Language Classes*

Day 10 Seville

Today we will visit **Seville Cathedral**, including an acent of **La Giralda**; the **Reales Alcazares**; and the **Parque de Maria Luisa**, highlighted by the **Plaza de Espana**. Tonight we attend a **Flamenco Show**.

Day 11 Seville - Cordoba - Madrid (1 Night)

We travel to Cordoba to visit the exquisite **Mezquita-Catedral**, followed by a walk in the **Juderia**, Cordoba's ancient Jewish quarter. We drive through La Mancha to Madrid where we explore the Old Quarter, **Plaza Mayor**, and the **Puerta del Sol**.

Day 12 Depart Madrid

We take our return flight home.

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Architecture in Benalmadena



Puente Nuevo, Ronda



La Mezquita, Cordoba

You will Have Your Own Private Tour & Your Dates are Guaranteed at Time of Booking

Other Language Programs

"As I sit here at breakfast, I am listening to all the memories, stories and events of the last 9 days. It was a most pleasant experience. I was told you guys were good, but you blew me away!"

Ron Etkorn, Language Teacher, MD



Language Activities



Intimate language classes
Specialty Courses or Lessons



Stay with a host family

School Visits

Language Classes



Meet International Students

Homestay Options



Recreational Activities

LANGUAGE ITINERARIES

Tour Title & Overnights

Costs and Other Highlights

LA 22	German in Berlin Berlin (Homestay 7 nights) * 5 mornings of German Classes	9 days from \$2,279 <i>Potsdam, Lutherstadt, Sachsenhausen</i>
LA 23	German in Bamberg Bamberg (Homestay 5 nights), Munich (3) * 5 mornings of German Classes	10 days from \$2,379 <i>Wurzburg, Rothenburg, Nurnburg, Bayreuth, Regensburg, Neuschwanstein, Linderhof</i>
LA 24	German in Cologne Cologne (Homestay 5 nights), Heidelberg (3) * 5 mornings of German Classes	10 days from \$2,339 <i>Bad Homburg, Bonn, Aachen, Dusseldorf, Mainz, Worms, Stuttgart</i>
LA 25	German in Vienna Vienna (Homestay 7 nights) * 5 mornings of German Classes	9 days from \$2,419 <i>Schonbrunn Palace, Melk, Wachau Valley, Vienna Woods</i>
LA 26	Italian in Rome Campania (2), Rome (Homestay 6 nights) * 5 mornings of Italian Classes	10 days from \$2,449 <i>Gaeta, Pompeii, Naples, Tivoli, Ostia Antica</i>
LA 27	Italian in Florence Florence (Homestay 5 nights), Rome (3) * 5 mornings of Italian Classes	10 days from \$2,499 <i>Orvieto, Pisa, Siena, San Gimignano</i>
LA 28	Italian in Milan Venice (2), Milan (Homestay 5 nights) * 5 mornings of Italian Classes	9 days from \$2,419 <i>Verona, Padua, Vicenza, Lake Como</i>
LA 29	Chinese in Beijing Beijing (8), Xian (2) * 5 mornings of Chinese Classes	12 days from \$2,899 <i>Great Wall of China, Ming Tombs, Forbidden City, Temple of Heaven, Terracotta Warriors, Huaquing Hot Springs</i>
LA 30	Homestay in Peru Lima (2), Cusco (Homestay 4 nights), Aguas Calientes (1), Cusco (1)	10 days from \$2,499 <i>Chincheru, Salinas, Yucay, Moray, Sacred Valley, Pisac, Machu Picchu, Pachamac</i>

Included in the Program



- Language Classes (3 per morning) for a minimum of 5 days
- All books and required materials
- Custom-designed courses to meet students levels
- Access to all resources & facilities at the Language School
- Accommodation with local Host families (half-board)

Special Options We Can Offer



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- Cooking Classes
- School Visits
- Evening Activities at the Language School
- Homestay Only (3 night minimum)
- Special Interest Courses

Learn Languages in...



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Group Leader Incentives

We believe that our Group Leaders should be rewarded for the work that they undertake in forming a group and for selecting Casterbridge as their travel partner.



Frequent Leader Bonus



If you travel with Casterbridge for **three consecutive years**, we will credit you with **Frequent Leader Points** for every full-paying member of your group:

- 1 Point** with a tour cost up to \$1,999
- 2 Points** with a tour cost from \$2,000 - \$2,999
- 3 Points** with a tour cost over \$3,000

Each year we record your entitlement and once you have brought a group on an inclusive tour with Casterbridge for three consecutive years you will be eligible for the following:

- 100 Points** Round-trip to a European capital city
- 150 Points** Round-trip flight & 1 week in a European capital city hotel
- 200 Points** Round-trip flight for two to a European capital city
- 300 Points** Round-trip flight & 1 week for two in a European capital city hotel (twin share basis)

Begin Accumulating Your Frequent Leader Points Now!

All group leaders and free-place chaperones receive the **Casterbridge Travel Insurance gratis**, as well as all stated admissions and excursions in the program. Casterbridge is also pleased to offer the following incentives, which can be applied as a donation to a school, used to reduce the total tour cost, or paid directly to the designated Group Leader:

	Full-Paying Participants	40+ Paying	30-39 Paying	20-29 Paying	10-19 Paying
Platinum Incentives <i>(applies if you book your group by April 30th of the previous year)</i>		\$1200	\$900	\$600	\$300
Gold Booking Incentives <i>(applies if you book your group by June 30th of the previous year)</i>		\$1000	\$750	\$500	\$250
Silver Booking Incentives <i>(applies if you book your group by October 15th of the previous year)</i>		\$800	\$600	\$400	\$200
Repeat Booking Bonus <i>(applies if you have previously led a tour with Casterbridge)</i>		\$1000	\$750	\$500	\$250
Experience Bonus <i>(applies if you have previously led a group overseas)</i>		\$500	\$375	\$250	\$125

Stipend Payments for Unutilized Free Places

If the Tour Costs: \$1,500 - \$1,999 earn \$750
 If the Tour Costs: \$2,000 - \$2,999 earn \$1000
 If the Tour Costs: \$3,000 - \$3,999 earn \$1,250
 If the Tour Costs: \$3,499 - \$5,000 earn \$1,500

Courtesy and Faculty Discounts Available

We offer **Courtesy Discounts** for spouses or children of group leaders. Up to 3 free place chaperones, **one each**, can receive a 20%, 15% or 10% discount respectively. We also offer up to 3 **Faculty Discounts** of 15% each. Please note that discounted participants will not count towards your final group size.





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Sue Bonvallet
Language Teacher, OH

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Group Leader Folder

In addition to materials on your chosen destination and academic emphasis, our folders contain practical information including a **Group Leader Handbook** with a guide to the complete process of forming a group. Our **Group Booking Form** will also be enclosed with our full booking conditions and instructions on how to secure your booking.



Promotional Materials

Once you have decided on your travel dates and exact itinerary, Casterbridge offers colorful materials to make the recruitment process easy. We can provide: **Promotional Packs**, which include an Information and Enrollment guide, insurance information and a copy of the detailed itinerary; **Posters** to display around the school; and a **Personal Webpage** exclusively for your custom-designed program.



Powerpoint Presentations and Personal Visits

One of our **Tour Coordinators** may visit you during the planning process and even attend your group/parent meeting to give a **PowerPoint Presentation** about your proposed tour. Nothing can be more reassuring for your group members and parents than to have their questions answered in person by a Casterbridge representative.

To get started or to be included on our next visit to your area, call us at 1-800-522-2398 or visit us at www.casterbridgetours.com

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Casterbridge offers five guarantees for groups who wish to avoid the uncertainties, hidden costs and last minute changes that characterize many Tour Operators.

Casterbridge guarantees

that at no time will you be combined with another group.

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your group will be provided with a Tour Manager/Guide available 24 hours a day for the exclusive use of your group.

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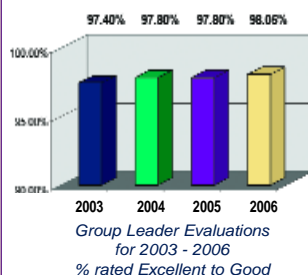
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How Our Group Leaders Rate Our Programs





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