Classic Orient Express: London to Venice
From £3,099 per person // 5 days

Take the trip of a lifetime on board the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express en route to the City of Canals. After time at leisure here, return through the Swiss Alps with a night in the lakeside city of Lausanne.

The Essentials

- Choose your departure date for the classic Orient-Express route to Venice
- Scenic journey through the Alps via the heart of Switzerland and the Gotthard Pass
- The canals, gondolas and culture of Venice
- Return via a different route, passing Lake Maggiore and the Swiss Alps, staying overnight on Lake Geneva

What's included

- Double cabin on the Venice Simplon-Orient-Express from London Victoria to Venice
- Transfer from the station to your hotel in Venice
- Standard Class rail travel with seat reservations on your return journey
- 3 nights’ handpicked hotel accommodation with breakfast
- City maps and comprehensive directions to your hotels
- Clearly-presented wallets for your rail tickets, hotel vouchers and other documentation
- All credit card surcharges and complimentary delivery of your travel documents

Tailor make your holiday

- Decide when you would like to travel
- Upgrade hotels and rail journeys
- Add extra nights, destinations and/or tours
- Suggested Itinerary -

Day 1 - Departing London Victoria
Make your way to London Victoria station and board the British Pullman coaches. You will be served a delicious lunch in the restaurant car as you travel through the countryside of Kent. Once you are in France, board the Continental Wagon-Lits carriages and enjoy a sumptuous dinner as you head south towards Paris. After dinner, head to the bar for a nightcap where you will be serenaded by a baby grand piano, then make your way back to your cabin, which has now been transformed into a cosy bedroom.

Day 2 - Through The Alps To Venice Aboard The Orient Express
Awake this morning to the splendid scenery of the Alps and enjoy breakfast in your cabin, brought to you by your steward at your own convenience. The train twists and turns as it climbs up to the top of the Gotthard Pass, then down into Italy. Enjoy afternoon tea as you pass through the fair city of Verona and eventually into your final destination, the unique city of Venice. Upon arrival, make your way down the Grand Canal to the Hotel Bisanzio (or similar) for a 2-night stay.

Day 3 - Venice
Enjoy Venice in all its splendour. Gravitate towards St Mark’s Square, the regal piazza that opens out onto the mouth of the Grand Canal and the Venetian Lagoon. Don’t miss the Accademia art collection or a boat trip to Murano or Burano, or even over to Venice Lido. TMR RECOMMENDS: Extend your holiday in Venice by a night or two to take in more of this magical city. Why not combine Venice with the culture and history of Florence, only 1.5 hours away by train?

Day 4 - Venice To Lausanne
Choose from either a morning or afternoon departure today as you travel across the plains of northern Italy to Milan. Here, you change onto a EuroCity Train, which runs north through Stresa on Lake Maggiore and through the Simplon Tunnel into Switzerland. Glorious scenery unfolds before you as you gradually approach the shores of Lake Geneva. Disembark at Lausanne, where you will have an overnight stop at the lakefront Angleterre et Residence Hotel (or similar).

Day 5 - Lausanne To London
Depart Lausanne at lunchtime today after a morning exploring this beautiful lakeside city. Watch the pretty scenery of the Jura Mountains pass the windows and before you know it you’ll be at the Gare de Lyon in Paris. Make your way across to the Gare du Nord, where you catch a Eurostar service back to London St Pancras.

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These prices are based on two people sharing a twin or double room. Single supplements will apply for sole occupancy. It is based on Standard Class rail travel and includes seat reservations as necessary. It is based on the best fares on the trains. If you travel during a peak period, particularly at short notice, then supplements may apply.