

# MLC School: Eurospace & STEM Journey



## Trip Highlights

- 5 Day Eurospace Astronaut Camp
- Experience the daily life of astronauts with the multi-axis chair, zero-gravity wall, Moonwalk, Space Rotor and many other activities.
- Build and launch micro-rockets
- Incredible and interactive Halle de Machine
- Science and Industry Museums in Paris
- CERN Science Gateway in Geneva
- Once in a lifetime Space and STEM learning opportunities with your peers



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| <b>Trip Duration</b> | 16 days                                                                                           | <b>Trip Code:</b> SOG9393 |
| <b>Grade</b>         | Adventure touring                                                                                 |                           |
| <b>Activities</b>    | 5 day Euro Space Centre - Astronaut Camp, Sightseeing, Museum Visits, Science & STEM explorations |                           |
| <b>Summary</b>       | 16 day trip, 14 nights hotel or shared dormitory (exclusive rooms for students)                   |                           |

## Welcome to World Expeditions Schools

Thank you for your interest in the MLC School: Eurospace & STEM Journey tour. At World Expeditions Schools we are passionate about providing off the beaten track experiences, and the thrills of coming face to face with new cultures and wilderness regions of great natural beauty. We are committed to making sure that our range of unique itineraries are well researched, affordable, and tailored for the enjoyment of our school groups, a philosophy that has been at our core since 1975 when we began operating. The tour will give you the very best travel experience, authentic cultural exchange, and exploration with a responsible tourism approach. We hope you will join us on this life changing experience.

## Why travel with World Expeditions Schools?

World Expeditions Schools is the specialist school group travel division of one of the world's leading adventure travel companies, World Expeditions. Established in 1975, World Expeditions was one of the first adventure travel companies to offer school specific itineraries and have designed and safely operated hundreds of school tours and expeditions to more than 25 countries.

We are passionate about broadening the horizons of students and immersing them in environments that offer unique experiences which can have profound, rewarding and life changing effects for students. World Expeditions owns its operations in many areas of the world we travel to, and provides exceptional value for money and risk management protocols.

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## Trip Dates

**2027** 26 Jun - 11 Jul

## The Trip

On this extraordinary tour offering for students at MLC School, students will embark on an unforgettable journey through France's leading space science and technology hubs, discovering how innovation, research, and exploration are shaping our future beyond Earth.

The highlight will no doubt be a 5-day immersive Astronaut Training Camp at the Eurospace Centre in Transinne, Brussels, where students will train like real astronauts through interactive simulations, team challenges, and space missions that bring science and STEM learning to life.

This tour is an inspiring, hands-on experience with a rich opportunity for students to deepen curriculum connections, spark curiosity, and support global learning goals in science, technology, and beyond.

## Our Partners

WORLD EXPEDITIONS FOUNDATION REGENERATIVE 2030

Regenerative 2030 is our long-term sustainability ambition, aligned with our commitment to regenerative travel, not just to minimise harm, but to actively leave destinations better than we found them by creating positive outcomes for local people, biodiversity, cultural heritage, and the landscapes we explore. WE Schools donates \$5 per travelling student to Regen2030..

## What you will learn

World Expeditions Schools journeys are designed to encourage positive personal development and the learning of life skills, while leaving the communities and environments we travel to, in a better condition than when we arrived.

The programs are designed to:

- build strong friendships and bonds with their peers, their teachers, and the local people they meet.
- increase the confidence to engage with new people, and collaboratively make informed decisions.
- discover the benefits of working cooperatively together as a cohesive team, to achieve a common objective.
- Increase the ability to face, and cope with, mental and physical challenges and therefore increase resilience.
- give students a chance to appreciate and care for the natural world. The environments we travel through are beautiful and often pristine, invariably the students will gain a deeper appreciation and understanding about how their individual actions impact on the environment.
- Learn personal skills i.e., time management, personal hygiene, responsibility for personal gear, patience, tolerance, and public speaking.

We help encourage students to learn what it means to be a true global citizen.

## At a Glance

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| DAY 1    | DEPART SYDNEY                                                               |
| DAY 2    | ARRIVE PARIS, TRAIN FROM PARIS AIRPORT TO BRUSSELS & TRANSFER TO TRANSINNE. |
| DAYS 3-6 | EURO SPACE CENTRE - ASTRONAUT CAMP                                          |
| DAY 7    | FULL DAY ASTRONAUT CAMP AND TRANSFER TO BRUSSELS                            |
| DAY 8    | TRAVEL TO PARIS AND AFTERNOON SEINE SIGHTSEEING CRUISE                      |
| DAY 9    | CITY OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY AND WALKING TOUR OF MONTMATRE AREA             |
| DAY 10   | TRANSFER TO GENEVA                                                          |



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| DAY 11 | FULL DAY CERN SCIENCE GATEWAY, AFTERNOON CRUISE ON LAKE GENEVA           |
| DAY 12 | TRAVEL TO TOULOUSE                                                       |
| DAY 13 | AEROSCOPIA MUSEUM & AIRBUS SITE AND HALLE DE LA MACHINE                  |
| DAY 14 | HALF-DAY EXCURSION TO EXPLORE CITE DE L'ESPACE, AFTERNOON TRAIN TO PARIS |
| DAY 15 | DEPART PARIS                                                             |
| DAY 16 | ARRIVE SYDNEY                                                            |

## What's included

- Return economy group flights Sydney to Paris, return
- 13 x continental breakfasts, 4 x lunches (Eurospace Centre) & 13 x dinners
- Hotel accommodation in twin/triple/multi-share rooms and multi-share dorms at Eurospace Centre (all rooms exclusive use for students)
- Private coach and transfers as outlined throughout
- Train Transport - Paris - Brussels & Toulouse to Paris
- 5 Day Astronaut Camp at Euro Space Centre
- Seine Sightseeing Cruise (one hour)
- Admission to Cite des sciences et de l'industrie, permanent and temporary exhibitions in Paris
- Admission to CERN Gateway in Geneva
- Sightseeing Cruise on Lake Geneva
- Entrance to Aeroscopia Museum with guided tour and visit the Airbus Site
- Admission to Cite de l'espace
- Admission to Halle de la Machine with travel on Minotaur and Carousel Carre Senart
- City taxes included in Transinne, Toulouse, Paris, Brussels, Geneva
- Tour Escort from Day 7 to end of program in Toulouse
- Tips for LDC Driver as well as tipping for the Tour Escort
- Teachers from MLC School accompanying the program

## What's not Included

- Personal expenses, shopping, souvenirs
- Additional drinks/soft drinks not included in the program
- Lunches as outlined in itinerary
- Travel insurance (provided by the School - compulsory)
- Visas (if applicable)
- Tips and Porterage

## Detailed Itinerary

### DAY 1 Depart Sydney

After all the preparations your departure day has arrived! Make your way to Sydney airport to meet your MLC School teachers and student travelling team.

**Meals: NIL**

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## Fast Facts

### Countries Visited:

France and Belgium

### Visas:

Please check visa requirements with your reservations consultant\*

### Vaccinations:

Please consult a travel vaccination specialist for up to date information

### Group Size Min:

20

## Thoughtful Travel

The environments we travel through are fragile. It is our responsibility as visitors to minimise the impact of our presence. Our regenerative programs aim to have a positive impact on the environment and communities in which we travel. While you're on program, learn more about our sustainable travel policies from your local Guides in country.

## Adventure Travel

By its very nature adventure travel involves an element of uncertainty. To get the most out of your adventure it is important that you are flexible, positive, and eager to take on all the challenges that arise. If you are unsure about your suitability for this tour we recommend that you speak with your teachers, or our staff at your school presentation.

## Important Note

These program notes represent the most current information for this itinerary, however the school may ask us, (or we may decide), to slightly alter the itinerary before departure.

### DAY 2 Arrive Paris, Train from Paris Airport to Brussels & Transfer to Transinne.

On arrival at Paris Airport, you will take the train from Paris Airport to Brussels.

Once in Brussels, you will be met by an English speaking assistant & transferred to Euro Space Centre in Transinne. On arrival, you will check in to the Space Centre Hotel & a welcome briefing ready for incredible Space Camp.

Dinner at the Hotel.

Overnight Euro Space Camp, Transinne.

**Meals: D**

### DAYS 3-6 Euro Space Centre - Astronaut Camp

Full day at Euro Space Centre - Astronaut Camp

**Meals: B,L,D**

### DAY 7 Full day Astronaut Camp and transfer to Brussels

Final full day at Astronaut Camp.

You will be met at the end of the day by your Tour Escort who will be with the group for the remainder of the program.

Transfer to Brussels & check in to your hotel before a lovely dinner in a local restaurant.

Overnight hotel, Brussels

**Meals: B,L,D**

### DAY 8 Travel to Paris and afternoon Seine sightseeing cruise

Today we transfer by coach to Paris (approx. 4.5 hours).

In the afternoon we'll discover Paris from a unique perspective on a one-hour sightseeing cruise. We will pass many of the city's most famous landmarks, including the Eiffel Tower, Notre-Dame Cathedral, the Louvre, and historic bridges that tell the story of Paris through the ages. This relaxing journey offers a perfect introduction to the city's rich history, architecture, and culture, all from the heart of the river that shaped it.

Overnight, Paris

**Meals: B,D**

### DAY 9 City of Science and Industry and walking tour of Montmartre area

Today we will spend an exciting morning at the Cité des Sciences et de l'Industrie, one of Europe's largest science museums, where learning comes to life through hands-on discovery. Students will explore interactive exhibits on space, technology, the human body, and the environment, experiment with real scientific concepts, that challenge their curiosity through games and immersive displays.

In the afternoon we will enjoy a guided walking tour through the charming streets of Montmartre, one of Paris's most artistic and historic neighbourhoods. We'll discover the bohemian spirit that inspired famous artists like Picasso and Van Gogh and we'll visit the stunning Sacré-Cœur Basilica with its sweeping city views, and explore lively squares such as Place du Tertre, where artists still create today. Along the way, they'll uncover hidden alleyways, local stories, and the unique character that makes Montmartre unforgettable.

Overnight, Paris

**Meals: B,D**

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## DAY 10 Transfer to Geneva

Today we'll transfer to Geneva by coach (approx. 6 hours). Along the way, we'll be able to relax and enjoy changing landscapes of rolling hills and charming villages as we make our way toward the lakeside city of Geneva.

On arrival in Geneva, we will check in to our hotel & head for dinner at a local restaurant.

Overnight, Geneva

**Meals: B,D**

## DAY 11 Full day CERN Science Gateway, afternoon cruise on Lake Geneva

Spend a full day at the CERN Science Gateway, where students dive into the fascinating world of particle physics and cutting-edge scientific discovery. Through interactive exhibits and immersive experiences, we'll explore how scientists study the building blocks of the universe, learn about the Large Hadron Collider, and discover the technologies shaping our future. It's an inspiring opportunity to see real-world science in action and understand how global collaboration drives innovation.

In the afternoon we'll return to Geneva and enjoy a sightseeing cruise on stunning Lake Geneva.

Overnight, Geneva

**Meals: B,D**

## DAY 12 Travel to Toulouse

Today we travel to Toulouse by coach (approx 7 hours)

Arrive in Toulouse and check in to hotel, remainder of the day to relax and enjoy a short orientation tour (time permitting).

Dinner and overnight, Toulouse

**Meals: B,D**

## DAY 13 Aeroscopa Museum & Airbus Site and Halle de la Machine

This morning we'll discover the world of aviation with a guided tour of the Aeroscopa Museum in Blagnac, where students can explore an impressive collection of historic aircraft and learn about the evolution of flight. The visit also includes the Airbus site, offering insight into modern aircraft design and manufacturing, and a firsthand look at how innovation and engineering shape the aerospace industry.

After our visit and lunch, we'll transfer to Halle de la Machine where engineering, science, and creativity come to life. Halle de la Machine showcases enormous moving machines—like giant mechanical animals—designed by artists and engineers working together and is an incredible way to see physics, mechanics, robotics, and problem-solving in action, all while exploring how imagination and technology combine to create spectacular real-world machines.

We'll return to our hotel in the late afternoon to rest and freshen up before dinner.

Overnight, Toulouse.

**Meals: B,D**

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## **DAY 14 Half-day excursion to explore Cité de L'Espace, afternoon train to Paris**

After breakfast, we check out of our hotel and head to Cité de l'Espace, an exciting interactive centre dedicated to space exploration for an incredible half-day excursion. Students will discover the wonders of astronomy and aeronautics through hands-on exhibits, immersive displays, and engaging experiences that bring the story of space discovery to life.

It will be a fitting finale that rounds out our incredible STEM journey.

This afternoon, we will transfer to Toulouse Station for our train back to Paris for our final night of this incredible adventure.

Overnight, Paris.

**Meals: B**

## **DAY 15 Depart Paris**

After breakfast, private transfer to the airport in Paris to commence our onward journey home.

**Meals: B**

## **DAY 16 Arrive Sydney**

Arrive Sydney where a warm welcome awaits!

**Meals: NIL**

This Itinerary Is Subject To Change With Any Change In Community Regulations As Well As Governmental Changes And Natural Circumstances Beyond Our Control.

## **Dietary Requirements**

Provided we are advised in advance of your departure we are able to cater for dietary requirements and can assist with medically recommended diets (allergies and intolerances). Please ensure you discuss your requirements with us well in advance (at least 3 months prior to your trip) to determine whether we can cater to such dietary requirements on your chosen adventure. Please note that options are likely to be limited in very remote locations. There may be times when travellers with special requirements may need to provide their own food for particular sections of the program eg flights. We are unable to guarantee a nut-free or allergen-free trip, and therefore, we strongly encourage that travellers with life-threatening or severe allergies take all necessary medical precautions to prepare for the possibility of exposure. Passengers must travel with all necessary medications for food allergies and be capable of self-administering (with teachers support) these medications. For medically related dietary requirements we will need: Name of Condition. Severity of Condition: mild or severe. Triggers for teachers/Guides to be aware of. Symptoms for teachers/Guides to be aware of Treatment/medicine and dosage.

## **What you Carry**

In your daypack you will need to carry personal items such as a rain jacket, large refillable water bottle, camera, valuables, sunscreen, hand sanitiser, hat and insect repellent.

## **Equipment Required**

A comprehensive gear list is provided in the pre-departure information provided on booking

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