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Marsala Glazed
Mushrooms

INGREDIENTS:

1lbs fresh button or
cremini mushrooms,
cut into thick slices

Salt to taste

4 tablespoons butter

¾ Cup Marsala Wine

Pinch of chopped fresh
or dry thyme

Hello Travel Enthusiast!

As January slowly ebbed away with frost and wispy wind, February looked to heating our hearts and soul with the ever eventful Valentine's Day. As we celebrated, rejoiced or commemorated LOVE, be it with a special someone, family, friends or even just for YOU, why not extend this wonderful feeling to celebrate spring and Easter holidays? Consider a travel tour to enjoy things you love to do, see and experience with that special someone or family!

Come along with **Action Travel** and view these special offers we have, for a trip to surprise or celebrate your special someone. Plan ahead and look forward to Spring and Summer with glee making it an affair to remember.



Simply Italy

(Winter -Spring/2011)

Italy is yours to devour, with guided tours of the Sistine Chapel, the Vatican and the Coliseum in Rome, the Santa Croce Basilica in Florence and the medieval Tuscan city of Siena. After all that sightseeing, take a relaxing canal cruise along the beautiful backwaters of Venice for a real taste of Italian romance.

Tour provides First Class accommodations with twin-bedded room with private facilities, luxury buses, multilingual tour directors, qualified local guides in Rome and Florence and Airport transfers to Rome's Fiumicino Airport.

Sightseeing Highlights

- **Rome** Guided visit of the Sistine Chapel, St Peter's Basilica in the Vatican and the Colosseum. Views of the Forum.
- **Florence** Includes Signoria Square, Santa Croce Basilica, the Baptistery and views from Piazzale Michelangelo.
- **Venice** Canal cruise by private launch. View St. Mark's Square, Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. Visit a glass-blowing factory.
- **Siena** Visit this medieval Tuscan city.

Dining Highlights

- 6 hot buffet breakfasts.
- 1 three-course dinner.
- Dinner in Florence.
- Farewell Dinner with wine in Rome.

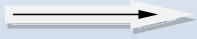
Tour length: 8 days
Approx. Land Price: \$1300*



-Travel Tip -

Always purchase travel insurance. It's worth it as it could save you plenty of money should you need to use it.

European
Highlights



EUROPEAN HIGHLIGHTS:



Travel to Amsterdam, Cologne, Rhine Valley and Schaffhausen for a plethora of gothic cathedrals and medieval castles which blend seamlessly with the fairytale-esque Black Forest, roaring Rhine Falls and terraced Burgundy vineyards. In Paris see the Louvre, Champs Elysees and Notre Dame and climb the Eiffel Tower for stunning views of the elegant city.

Sightseeing Highlights:

- **London Sightseeing** shows us Buckingham Palace, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey and Big Ben.
- **Dover** See the famous White Cliffs.
- **Amsterdam** includes the Mint Tower and Royal Palace.
- **Cologne** Marvel at the gothic Cathedral.
- **Rhine Valley** Cruise from Boppard to St. Goar (weather permitting).
- **Heidelberg** View the ancient Castle.
- **Schaffhausen** View the mighty Rhine Falls.
- **Lucerne** Orientation tour including the Lion Monument.
- **Savigny-Lès-Beaune** Admire the Burgundy vineyards.
- **Paris** Sightseeing includes views of the Louvre, Champs Elysées and Notre Dame Cathedral. Plus ascent of the Eiffel Tower to the second level.

Dining Highlights

- 6 hot buffet breakfasts.
- 2 three-course dinners.
- Farewell Dinner with wine in Paris.

Tour Length: 7 days

Approx. Land Price: \$ 1300*



-Travel Tip -

Know the local laws and abide by them

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Mushrooms

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cremini mushrooms, cut
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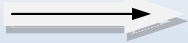
Salt to taste

4 tablespoons butter

¾ Cup Marsala Wine

Pinch of chopped fresh
or dry thyme

**San
Francisco**



Recipe of the Month:

Marsala Glazed
Mushrooms

Method:

- Put all the mushrooms in the hot pan and stir the mushrooms.
- Reduce the heat to medium-high until most of the liquid has steamed away.
- Stir often. Sprinkle Salt.
- When most of the liquid has boiled away, add butter and stir to combine. Add a pinch of thyme.
- Continue to sauté on medium heat until they brown (4-6mins)
- Add Marsala wine to the pan and increase heat to high. Toss to coat and boil till wine is nearly gone and only butter remains.
- Turn off heat and serve while hot.

Serves 4 - as a side dish.



Live the laidback **Californian** lifestyle on an unforgettable **San Francisco tour**. Travel with an insider's knowledge to discover the iconic sights of San Francisco, from the Golden Gate Bridge, Union Square and crooked Lombard Street to Fisherman's Wharf, as well as hidden gems like Chinatown.

As February rings in the New Chinese Year, you can be sure that its sidewalks will be a bloom with flora! For Spring! it's the perfect time to visit and learn about Chinatown's colorful history, inhale the pungent scents of the tea and herbal shops, admire Chinese-style buildings and stop at the Golden Gate Cookie Factory to watch (and sample) how fortune cookies are made. Also make time to ride the cable cars, explore North Beach's Little Italy and visit handsome Golden Gate Park museums and gardens

Enjoy family-friendly fun as you travel from vibrant San Francisco to fascinating Monterey on this dreamy California tour. Broaden your mind at the California Academy of Sciences, pan for gold in Gold Country, stargaze in Yosemite National Park and marvel at the marine life at Monterey Bay Aquarium. Cap off the tour with a fun-filled beach party clambake.

Highlights :

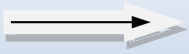
- **San Francisco**
- **Gold Country**
- **Lake Tahoe**
- **Mono Lake**
- **Yosemite National Park**
- **San Juan Bautista**
- **17 Mile Drive**
- **Carmel**
- **Monterey**
- **Roaring Camp**

**Tour Length: 8 DaysApprox.
Land prices: \$1850***



-Travel Tip –Using travellers cheques, will always be helpful, as will using a credit card for any purchases made so that you can take advantage of the additional insurance offered.

FRANCE



Wonderful France 2011

Ok so Paris is the city to celebrate **L' Amour!** Why not travel to France for a spring romance? Travel from Paris to the south of France and back, experiencing elegant dinners, trendy beaches, quaint Provencal landscapes and beautiful castles along the way. Kick back and relax in St. Tropez, meander the streets of Monaco, admire the handsome Eiffel Tower in Paris and so much more.

Highlights:

- Avignon
- Pont du Gard
- Les Baux de Provence
- Arles
- Aix en Provence
- St Tropez
- Cannes
- Nice
- Monaco
- Route Napoleon
- Lyon
- Dijon

The tour includes

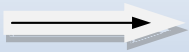
- First Class hotel accommodation includes twin-bedded rooms with private facilities.
- Touring by luxury air-conditioned coach with reclining seats and a washroom onboard.
- The services of top professional multi-lingual Tour Directors.
- A qualified local city guide in Paris and Arles.
- Cruise from St. Tropez to Ste. Maxime.
- 8 hot buffet breakfasts.
- Be My Guest' specialty dinner with wine in a Provencal restaurant.
- Local highlight restaurant dinner with wine in Nice.
- A stylish wallet, travel documents and Welcome on Tour book with map.
- Airport transfers are provided.

Tour Length: 10 Days

Approx. Land Price: 2099* USD


-Travel Tip -

Begin planning early. The sooner, the better. That way, you'll have plenty of time to research your trip it's actually part of the fun! and you'll be able to get exactly what you want. (Some places are reserved as much as a year in advance for popular dates.

**ROYAL
BRITAIN- 2011**


Royal Britain 2011

If Royalty captivates you, why not take a trip to England and be part of a wedding that will captivate the world....The joining of Prince William to Miss Kate Middleton is sure to be the wedding of the decade and nostalgia might set in with the memories of beloved Princess Diana. Grasp this opportunity to embrace England's pomp and pageantry through London's Buckingham Palace and Big Ben. Visit majestic Windsor Castle and grand Hampton Court to see its spectacular Tudor kitchens, before experiencing the charms of Portsmouth, Isle of Wight, Royal Tunbridge Wells and Brighton, with its Royal Pavilion.

The tour is an 'At Leisure' type which is a perfectly balanced itinerary to suit your lifestyle with a mix of organized sightseeing and plenty of time to explore on your own.

Sightseeing Highlights

- **London** Sightseeing includes Buckingham Palace; Houses of Parliament and Big Ben.
- **Windsor** Visit this magnificent Castle and grounds on an audio tour.
- **Hampton Court** Visit the Palace and its spectacular Tudor kitchens.
- **Portsmouth** City orientation and free time.
- **Isle of Wight** Return ferry and included visit to Osborne House.
- **Brighton** Orientation tour and visit to the Royal Pavilion.
- **Royal Tunbridge Wells** Orientation of this famous Spa Town.
- **Chartwell** Included visit to the home of Sir Winston Churchill.

Dining Highlights

- Welcome Drink with your Tour Director in London.
- 8 buffet breakfasts.
- 1 three-course dinner.
- 'Be My Guest' dinner in Portsmouth.
- Farewell Dinner with wine in London.

Tour Length: 10 days
Approx. Land Price: \$2200*


-Travel Tip -

Coordinate your clothes around one or two basic colors. This cuts down on the number of shoes and accessories you have to bring.

HAWAII



QUICK AND EASY HAWAIIAN PUNCH

- 1 (46 oz.) can Hawaiian punch
- 6 cans 7-Up

Method:

-Chill both beverages prior to making punch.

-Mix all beverages together.

-Add a curl of orange zest or a strawberry wedge to a tall glass and serve!

HAWAII: ISLAND ESCAPE



If Europe is not where your heart lies, how about the land of sand, sun and surfing? Aloha Hawaii! Visit Hawaii at this special rate and soak up some good fun and a tan to chase away Winter's blues! Experience the laidback lifestyle of the Hawaiians on this leisurely tour that shows you the best of the islands. Discover the lush rainforests and pineapple fields of Oahu, lounge on the warm sandy beaches of Honolulu, and take in some history at Pearl Harbour. See how coffee is made in Kona and enjoy plenty of free time in captivating Maui.

Sightseeing Highlights

- **Oahu** Discover the island's many natural wonders; learn about the pineapple industry during a visit to the Dole Plantation.
- **Honolulu** Explore the city's main highlights including Pearl Harbor, the USS Arizona Memorial, Punchbowl National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific and downtown Honolulu; visit a coral jewelry workshop.
- **Hawaii Volcanoes National Park** Learn how the Hawaiian Islands were created; stop at the active Kilauea Volcano; visit the Thomas A. Jaggar Museum and walk through an actual lava tube.
- **Kona** Visit a Kona coffee plantation and enjoy Kona coffee tasting.
- **Maui** Stop at the historic whaling town of Lahaina; visit a local organic urban farm and learn about sustainable farming; meet a local naturalist on Maui for a discussion on the ecology of the Hawaiian Archipelago; experience Hawaiian culture and traditions at an authentic Hawaiian luau.
- **Kauai** Cruise along the Wailua River and visit the famous Fern Grotto.

Dining Highlights

- 12 full breakfasts.
- 2 Highlight Lunches on Hawaii and along the Wailua River on Kauai.
- 1 three-course dinner.
- Local Highlight Dinner in Waikiki.
- Luau Highlight Dinner with open bar on Maui.
- 'Be My Guest' Lunch with wine on Maui.
- Farewell Dinner with wine in Kauai.



-Travel Tip -

Eating yogurt before you travel is a great way to help cope with bacterial infestations. However, if you are lactose-intolerant, yogurt is not an option.

First Class Travel Highlights

- Your choice of three hotel categories: Moderate, First Class and Premier accommodation including two-bedded rooms with private facilities, all hotel service charges and tips, baggage handling fees and local taxes.
- Touring by luxury air-conditioned motor coach with reclining seats and a restroom onboard.
- The services of one of Trafalgar's top professional Tour Directors.
- A stylish wallet, tour documents and Welcome on Tour book with map.
- Complimentary airport transfers are provided on Day 1 and Day 13.
- Aloha welcome with fresh flower lei on arrival at Honolulu International Airport on Day 1.

Agents Ready
to serve you:

Joy

Jeanette

Gisela

Reagan

Tour Length: 13 day tour
Approx. Land Price: USD
\$3175.00*

We hope that the above highlight of vacation ideas will be of interest for you, and in the event they are not, rest assured that we also have many many more worldwide tours available on our website to view at:

<http://www.actiontravel.ca>



Did you know? We are able to customize any tour that you have in mind to

ANY DESTINATION!!

Let us know what your plans are and we will do our best to send several options for you to view.

We look forward to hearing from you. Call us at **Action Travel - 604-278-8286** and one of our team will be happy to assist you.

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Where your Journey Begins.....