2027 Dolomites Explorer Summarized Itinerary

Trip Begins: Munich, Germany
Trip Ends: Munich, Germany

Days 1-3: The group will gather at Munich's Franz Josef Strauss Airport and take a short (but scenic!) train ride to their first night's campground. After an evening spent shaking off the jet lag and playing get-to-know-you games, we will dive straight into the adventuring on Day 2, when we head out onto the water for an exciting day of whitewater rafting on the Isar River. We will also explore the surrounding foothills of the Bavarian Alps on a beautiful day hike. With our legs warmed up and our group ready for more adventure, we'll say "auf Wiedersehen" to Germany and head south into the heart of the Italian Dolomites.

Days 4-6: From Bavaria, we'll transit to the charming alpine town of Brixen, nestled in the mountains of Italy's South Tyrol Region, where Italian, German, and Austrian influences all blend for a unique cultural experience. Brixen will serve as our base as we hike and explore the spectacular landscapes of the western Dolomites over the next few days. This setting will provide us with the perfect backdrop to build our hiking legs, prepare our packs, and get ready to embark on our hut-to-hut trek through the Dolomites along the Alta Via 1 (AV1).

Days 7-11: With our preparations complete, we'll set off into the Dolomites for an unforgettable five-day, four-night hut-to-hut trek. Our journey begins at the stunningly turquoise Lago di Braies (where we'll be sure to snap plenty of "before" photos). Hiking from one mountain *rifugio* to the next, we'll traverse some of the most spectacular scenery in the Dolomites, passing dramatic limestone peaks, sweeping valleys, and high alpine trails along the way. Each evening, we'll settle into our cozy accommodation and enjoy hearty, authentic meals prepared by the *rifugio* staff. This point-to-point trek will be the centerpiece of our Dolomites adventure, challenging us physically while rewarding us with incredible views and an unforgettable sense of accomplishment. We'll complete our point-to-point traverse of the AV1 by triumphantly hiking into Cortina d'Ampezzo, one of the host cities of the 2026 Winter Olympics. We'll spend our final night in the Dolomites celebrating our hiking accomplishments and getting excited for the following day of exploration.

Days 12-13: Waving goodbye to Italy, we'll make our way back north to Munich, where we'll celebrate and cap off our trip with a memorable final night together. We'll have time to explore the city, experience Bavarian culture, and celebrate everything we've accomplished with a special final dinner out on the town. The following morning, we'll say our goodbyes and head home, taking with us plenty of mountain memories, new friendships, and stories to share.

Please note that all itineraries are subject to change.

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