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Globus Continues to Expand Its Small Group Discovery Tours for 2026

TORONTO, Ontario – September 16, 2025 – Travel isn't one-size-fits-all. That's why more and more travellers are saying *yes* to smaller groups and bigger experiences with Globus' all-new [Small Group Discovery tours](#). Designed from the ground-up for intimacy, access and authentic encounters, these journeys are proving wildly popular. And in 2026, Globus is adding even more ways to go small in a great, big way – with **three new Europe itineraries**, bringing the total to **61 Small Group Discovery tours worldwide**.

“Smaller groups mean more freedom, more flexibility and more unforgettable moments,” said Steve Born, chief marketing officer for the Globus family of brands. “With an average of just 15 travellers in Europe, our Small Group Discovery tours unlock all-access moments – like rolling up your sleeves in a Sicilian kitchen or sipping wine with family vintners – that simply can't happen in a crowd. These are the experiences that move you, connect you and stay with you forever.”

NEW [Ireland Unveiled: Beyond the Blarney](#) – 10 days, from Dublin

This is Ireland like few get to see it – an intimate journey that blends the country's icons with immersive cultural encounters. From scone-making on a working farm to sailing to one of Ireland's most remote islands, this tour goes well beyond the Blarney.

- Bake scones and meet sheepdogs at Rathbaun Farm.
- Sip whiskey on a guided tour of the Old Midleton Distillery.
- Ferry to Cape Clear Island for an insider's look at island life.
- Join locals for a medieval banquet at Bunratty Castle.

NEW [Gems of Sicily & Malta](#) – 10 days, from Palermo

History meets flavour on this Mediterranean masterpiece, designed for discovery at every turn. With fewer travellers, guests enjoy unforgettable access – from cooking Sicilian street food in a chef's kitchen to crossing the sea by catamaran to Malta.

- Stand beneath the mosaics of Monreale Cathedral.
- Take a hands-on Sicilian street food cooking class.
- Enjoy a rustic farm dinner in Catania with live music.
- Prepare your own farewell feast alongside a professional chef.



NEW [Soul of Portugal](#) – 8 days, from Lisbon

Pour yourself into Portugal's traditions on this boutique journey from Lisbon to Porto. With backstage passes to wineries, olive estates and even a sardine canning factory, this is Portugal up close and personal.

- Sip Lisbon's signature ginjinha liqueur.
- Enjoy an exclusive "backstage" winery visit in Monsaraz.
- Sample olive oil and local specialties on an olive estate.
- Roll up your sleeves in Porto for a sardine canning workshop.

Both Globus and Cosmos are also unveiling new signature-style Classic tours in Europe in 2026, offering travellers a mix of boutique experiences and big, iconic highlights:

- **[Turkish Sampler \(Globus\)](#)** – Eight days of timeless treasures, including Istanbul's Hagia Sophia, the battlefields of Gallipoli, the ruins of Troy, the sprawling archaeological wonders of Ephesus and Pamukkale's dazzling travertine terraces.
- **[Scenic Slovenia & Croatia \(Cosmos\)](#)** – A value-packed eight-day adventure from Ljubljana to Dubrovnik featuring Plitvice National Park's cascading lakes, UNESCO-listed Diocletian's Palace in Split, oysters in Ston and Dubrovnik's fortress-walled Old Town.

Big Trips. Made Easy.

With more than 500 vacations across six continents, Globus and Cosmos deliver all access to the world: hand-picked hotels, immersive excursions, seamless transportation and Tour Directors who bring every day to life. For travellers craving more *wow* and less *what-now*, touring is the ultimate travel upgrade.

For more information, visit www.globusjourneys.ca or www.cosmosvacations.ca. Travel advisors are invited to log into the [Travel Advisor Portal](#) for details.

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ABOUT THE GLOBUS FAMILY OF BRANDS

With nearly a century of expertise, the Globus family of brands (Globus, Cosmos and Avalon Waterways) have inspired wanderlust, making the world more accessible to travellers through a diverse portfolio of vacation options, including guided tours, river cruises and independent travel packages. As the world's largest tour operator, the Globus family of brands is driven by a mission to enrich lives through the joy of travel. From the iconic landmarks that define history to the hidden gems that spark wonder, from cruising the world's most captivating waterways to following passions in lesser-known corners of the globe, these brands create extraordinary journeys that blend effortless exploration, incredible value and authentic discoveries. Explore more at www.globusfamily.ca or by contacting your preferred Travel Advisor. Travel Advisors can visit www.traveladvisorportal.ca.