

Your best trip starts *here.*

Wonderful France



Your itinerary



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Day 1 | Bonjour France



Discover romance, sophistication and French joie de vivre in Paris – the launch pad to a memorable journey through the French countryside. Explore the grand boulevards and winding lanes of the 'City of Lights', before meeting your Travel Director and companions for a Welcome Reception. We take to the streets this evening to see some of the city's most iconic sights, including the Champs-Élysées and Arc de Triomphe, standing in all its glorious splendour for you to admire.

Meals: Welcome Reception

Hotel: Renaissance La Défense

Day 2 | Discover the Delights of Paris



Join a Local Specialist to explore the Latin Quarter, a vibrant student hotspot and home to the Sorbonne University. Visit the remarkable church of Saint-Sulpice, then soak up the authentic atmosphere and local day-to-day life of the Parisians as you stroll through historic neighbourhoods. Spend your evening embracing the pageantry of Paris and perhaps experience a traditional Parisian Cabaret.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Renaissance La Défense

Optional Experiences:

Giverny House and Gardens of Claude Monet - Step into the enchanting world of Giverny – Claude Monet's carefully-crafted paradise. The gardens and home of the Impressionist master were the inspiration behind some of his most renowned paintings. The famous Japanese bridge, the magnificent waterlilies, his charming pink house – it's all there waiting for you to discover.

Adult: 49.00 EUR

Moulin Rouge Cabaret and Dinner - It's world famous for a reason, and this is your chance to see the real-life inspiration behind the award-winning movie. This Parisian institution features 60 dancers and entertainers with over 1,000 costumes to create a dazzling spectacle. You'll enjoy wine, dinner and Champagne during this unforgettable soirée at the original Parisian Cabaret!

Adult: 165.00 EUR

Day 3 | Journey through Burgundy to Lyon



Travel through the picture-perfect Burgundy wine region and stop in its walled regional capital, Beaune – most famous for the colourful geometric-tiled Hôtel-Dieu. We continue to the gastronomic capital of Lyon, where we spend the night. Discover the historic treasures of its well-preserved Old Town or perhaps indulge in delicious Beaujolais flavours in a local bouchon – the choice is yours.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Charlemagne

Optional Experiences:

Local Beaujolais Dinner And Old Town Discovery - Strolling through the maze of hidden courtyards, cobbled streets and hidden traboules with our Local Specialist, we'll step back in time to discover Lyon's secrets. The World Heritage city was formerly home to ancient Gauls, powerful Romans, Gothic Cathedral builders and wealthy Renaissance Silk Merchants. We'll finish the evening with a mouthwatering three-course French feast, paired with local wine.

Adult: 71.00 EUR

Day 4 | Continue to Monaco and the French Riviera



Follow the Rhône Valley south, enjoying some free time in Aix-en-Provence for a delicious lunch and the sweet flavours of Calissons, then stop in the glamorous Principality of Monaco bound for the sun-kissed shores of the French Riviera. View the Palace, which has been the home of the Grimaldis since the 13th century, and the cathedral where Princess Grace and Prince Rainier were married. This evening, we enjoy a delicious Regional Dinner together in Monaco before arriving at our hotel, where we'll spend the next two nights.

Meals: Breakfast, Regional Dinner

Hotel: Montaigne & Spa

Day 5 | The French Riviera Your Way



The sun-kissed shores of the French Riviera are yours to explore today. Consider relaxing on the beach with your fellow sun-worshippers or an Optional Experience could see you visit the hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, a popular haunt for actors seeking a relaxing retreat. In your free time, you have the opportunity to soak up the fresh sea air and perhaps indulge in a delicious Salade Niçoise.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Montaigne & Spa

Optional Experiences:

St Paul de Vence and Nice - Your sublime day on the Riviera starts with a lovely drive to the town of St. Paul de Vence with your Local Specialist. See why this medieval, walled city lured the likes of Pablo Picasso and Marc Chagall. Then, because no visit to the Riviera is complete without it, we'll continue to glorious Nice to enjoy the city, its old town and its colourful provençal markets.

Adult: 43.00 EUR

Day 6 | On to Sunny Saint-Tropez and Avignon



We arrive by boat in glitzy Saint-Tropez for a leisurely morning sojourn to soak up our fashionable surrounds. Continue on to the ancient city of Avignon, once the seat of the Papacy, where we will spend the next two nights. Our orientation of this extraordinary historic city includes views of the imposing Palace of the Popes and the famous ruined bridge straddling the Rhône, which inspired the French song, Sur le Pont d'Avignon.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Mercure Pont d'Avignon

Optional Experiences:

Treasures of Provence - The prestigious name, the famous curved bottles and the connection to the papacy all mean that Châteauneuf-du-Pape is a wine region unlike any other. We'll visit the vineyards and cellars at a favourite French Chateau Estate. Later, there'll be plenty of wine to sample while we enjoy a traditional Provençal-style dinner!

Adult: 74.00 EUR

Day 7 | Explore Ancient History in Pont du Gard and Arles



This morning we visit the impressive Pont du Gard – an ancient Roman aqueduct bridge, still standing since the 1st century AD, before continuing to Western Europe's largest river delta region - the Camargue. Here we will Connect With Locals as we join innkeeper Patrick for a home cooked Be My Guest lunch of original, regional dishes made with produce from local farmers and markets. After lunch we make our way to Arles to admire its Romanesque Cathedral and Roman amphitheatre, once the site of bloody battles and exhilarating chariot races. Tread in the footsteps of Vincent van Gogh with your Local Specialist, exploring the heritage of a city that was once an important Phoenician trading port. Back in Avignon, the evening is at your leisure.

Meals: Breakfast, Be My Guest

Hotel: Mercure Pont d'Avignon

Day 8 | Travel By High-Speed Train to Paris



The picture-perfect French countryside is our constant companion as we take the high-speed TGV train through the heart of France, past Auxerre and the sprawling vineyards of Burgundy, back to Paris where you have the rest of the afternoon to explore the city on your own terms. This evening we celebrate an unforgettable sojourn through France at a Farewell Dinner with our Travel Director and newfound friends.

Meals: Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

Hotel: Evergreen Laurel

Optional Experiences:

Montmartre Village and Artists' Square - Many people go to Paris, but only a few are lucky enough to experience what it's really all about. Join us for a stroll with our Local Specialist through Montmartre – an artists' village once home to Picasso and Toulouse Lautrec, tucked away from the modern city. The paint will still be wet on the canvasses, as we watch apprentices work before our eyes in the famous Artist's Square. Mingle, barter, and stand in awe of Sacré Coeur Basilica in this historic, bohemian neighbourhood.

Adult: 37.00 EUR

Seine Cruise and Paris Illuminations - To truly see Paris in all its glory, you need to see it from the Seine. Enjoy a cruise along this famous river and take in unmatched views of the Notre Dame Cathedral and the Eiffel Tower. Afterwards, we'll drive through the City of Lights to see some of the fascinating sights this beautiful city has to offer.

Adult: 43.00 EUR

**In summer, this trip may take place before sunset.*

Day 9 | Au Revoir Paris



This morning after breakfast, it's time to bid Paris a fond au revoir as our fascinating journey through France comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers.

Meals: Breakfast