

FRENCH RIVER CRUSES



Life is more beautiful on the water



FRANCE

CRUISE HIGHLIGHTS

THE LOIRE VALLEY

- CroisiEurope Exclusivity: the MS Loire Princesse, the only paddle riverboat to cruise on the Loire
- The last "wild river" in France
- The Loire Valley, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site

THE SEINE VALLEY

- Linking the French capital to the coast of Normandy
- A combination of river and coastal cruises from Duclair to Honfleur
- Cruise Paris by night on the ship and stay just a few steps away from the Eiffel Tower!

THE GARONNE AND DORDOGNE VALLEYS

- CroisiEurope spearheaded river cruise vacations in France
- Cruise all the way to the Gironde Estuary and Royan
- Exceptional French heritage: second only to Paris for the number of historical sites

THE RHÔNE AND SAÔNE VALLEYS

- Cruise between Burgundy and the Mediterranean Sea
- Discover the diverse and lush landscapes along the Saône and Rhône: the Burgundy and Beaujolais vineyards, the Vercors Massif, and the Camargue region







5-DAY / 4-NIGHT CRUISE • REF. NDN PP2

The Loire Valley, a Royal legacy Round-trip cruise from Nantes

DAY 1 l Nantes • Saint-Nazaire Boarding Introduction of the crew and welcome cocktail Cruise towards Saint-Nazaire

DAY 2 | Saint-Nazaire • Nantes Excursion for both packages:

• Visit the Saint-Nazaire shipyard and discover the Escal'Atlantic(1) Cruise towards Nantes

DAY 3 l Nantes • Ancenis Chalonnes-sur-Loire(2) Cruise towards Ancenis

Excursions proposed:
• CLASSIC: The Muscadet Wine Route

 DISCOVERY: Helicopter ride⁽³⁾ Cruise towards Chalonnes-sur-Loire Gala dinner



DAY 4 l Chalonnes-sur-Loire(2) The Châteaux of the Loire Valley . Nantes Full-day excursion for both packages: • Visit the Châteaux of the Loire valley

Disembark at 09:00 a.m.

See excursion details on page 69.



Cruise highlights

EXCLUSIVE TO CROISIEUROPE:

- Cruise on board a paddle riverboat
- · Helicopter ride: the Loire from above(3)

EXCURSION INCLUDED:

• Full-day excursion to the castles of the Loire Valley: guided tours of the castles of Usse, Azay-le-Rideau and the gardens of Villandry

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- The Saint-Nazaire shipyard, embodiment of French pride
- The wine route of the Muscadet through the vineyards of the Nantes region



ALL MEALS INCLUDED



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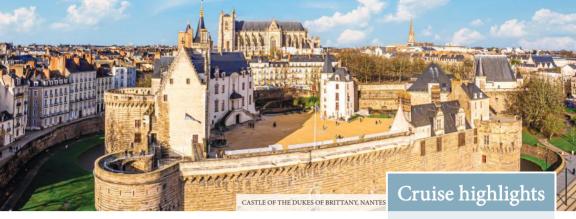


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- (1) This excursion must be booked in advance through your travel agency. Each passenger will be asked to produce a valid passport or identity card in order to gain access to the shipyard.

 (2) Depending on mooring availability, the stopover in Chalonnes-sur-Loire may be replaced by a stopover in Ancenis.
- (3) Subject to availability and favorable weather conditions.



7-DAY / 6-NIGHT ITINERARY • REF. NSN_CLR(3)

From Chambord & Chenonceau castles to the Loire Valley

DAY 1 l Paris Passengers will be ANCENIS Angers SAINT-NAZAIRE LOIRE Chambord greeted at 5:00 p.m. at the hotel in Paris. NANTES Villandry Chenonceau Transfer by coach to a typical Ussé Azay-le-Rideau Parisian brasserie for dinner CHALONNES-SUR-LOIRE Night will be spent at a 4-star hotel

DAY 2 l Paris • Châteaux of the Loire Nantes • Saint-Nazaire

Excursions proposed:

- · Guided tour of the Château de Chambord
- Guided tour of the Château de Chenonceau

Transfer to Nantes Boarding around 6:30 p.m. Introduction of the crew and welcome cocktail

Cruise towards Saint-Nazaire DAY 3 l Saint-Nazaire • Nantes

Excursion for both packages: · Visit the Saint-Nazaire shipyard and discover the Escal'Atlantic(1)

Cruise towards Nantes Excursion for both packages:

• Cruise on the Erdre

DAY 4 l Nantes • Ancenis Excursions proposed:

• CLASSIC: Guided tour of Nantes and the Castle of the Dukes of Brittany

· DISCOVERY: Nantes, the Machines de l'Île, secret courtyards and covered passageways

Cruise towards Ancenis

Excursions proposed:
• CLASSIC: The Muscadet Wine Route

DISCOVERY: Helicopter ride⁽²⁾

DAY 5 l Ancenis • Chalonnes-sur-Loire(4) Angers

Cruise towards Chalonnes-sur-Loire Excursions proposed:

• CLASSIC: Guided tour of Angers

• DISCOVERY: Tour of Château de Brissac and the castle cellars with wine-tasting

Gala dinner

DAY 6 l Chalonnes-sur-Loire(4) The Châteaux of the Loire Valley

Full-day excursion for both packages: • Visit the Châteaux of the Loire valley

DAY 7 l Nantes • Paris Disembark at 09:00 a.m. Transfer by coach to Paris

See excursion details on page 69.

POSSIBILITY TO DO THIS ITINERARY FROM NANTES (6-day/5-night cruise - REF. NSN_PP)

POSSIBILITY TO EXTEND YOUR STAY REF. NSB PP Authentic Brittany

Detailed programme, dates and prices on request.



EXCLUSIVE TO CROISIEUROPE:

- Cruise on board a paddle riverboat
- Helicopter ride: the Loire from above(2)

2-DAY/1-NIGHT EXTENDED STAY INCLUDED:

- Accommodations at a 4-star hotel in Paris
- · Dinner in a typical French brasserie
- · Visit the Chambord and Chenonceau châteaux

EXCURSIONS INCLUDED:

• The Châteaux of the Loire Valley (day trip)

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- · Wine-tasting in the cellars of the Château de Brissac
- Secret courtyards and covered passageways in Nantes
- The Saint-Nazaire shipyard(1), embodiment of French pride
- The wine route of the Muscadet through the vineyards of the Nantes region



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FAMILY CLUB IN IULY AND AUGUST

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- (2) This excursion must be booked in advance through your travel agency. Subject to availability and favorable weather conditions.
- (3) A minimum of 25 participants is requested to guarantee the departures of the 7-Day itinerary, otherwise the services will be adjusted consequently.
- (4) Depending on mooring availability, the stopover in Chalonnes-sur-Loire may be replaced by a stopover in Ancenis.

The Loire Valley



Our excursions · The Loire Valley

EXCURSIONS PACKAGE: Book several excursions at the same time as your cruise and benefit from preferential rates. Contact us for more information.

Our excursions are valid for a minimum of 25 participants. Below this number, our rates can be adjusted on board.

CLASSIC EXCURSIONS

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 61/pp

Angers was the capital of the historical An-jou province and is distinguished not only by its legacy, but also by its modern nature. Angers, particularly rich during the Renaissance, was home to the House of Plantagenet. The immense walls of the famous Château d'Angers contain the extraordina-ry Apocalypse Tapestry. We'll visit the 13th century castle and discover the Apocalypse Tapestry, part of one of the most important collections of medieval tapestries in the world

The Apocalypse Tapestry site is closed on January 1st, May 1st, November 1st and 11th and December 25th.

CHAMBORD AND CHENONCEAU LENGTH: 12 hours • Included

LENGTH: 12 nours • included We'll set off by coach for the Château de Chambord. King Francis I built this extraordinary castle as a hunting lodge. It is one of the most recognizable châteaux in the world because of its very distinctive architecture blending traditional French medieval forms with classical Renaissance structures. Enjoy a tour of this majestic castle and its grounds. We'll then continue on to Chenonceau, stopping for lunch in a local restaurant. Our afternoon will be spent visiting the Château de Chenonceau. Once of the best-known and most-visited châteaux in the Loire Valley, it spans the Cher River. Its architecture is a fascinating mix of late Gothic and early Renaissance. The list of aristocrats and nobles that have lived in it is astounding: Thomas Bohier, Diane de Poitiers, and Catherine de Medici, to name just a few. After our visit, we'll head to Nantes, arriving in the evening.

CRUISE ON THE ERDRE RIVER

LENGTH: 2.75 hours • From £ 72/pp

We'll leave for a cruise on what King Francis I called the "most beautiful river in France": the Erdre. As the scenery rolls by, discover the history of the river and its numerous châteaux.

NANTES

LENGTH: 4.5 hours • From £ 70/pp

You'll discover the small streets of the medieval Bouffay quarter and the beautiful Flamboyant-style Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul (exteriors only). We'll visit the île Feydeau and its exceptional buildings dating back to the 18th century, and then on to the quays. After, you'll discover the shopping districts created in the 18th century around the Théâtre Graslin and the Passage Pommeraye. We'll continue our tour to the Castle of the Dukes of Brittany. The last castle before the river reaches the ocean, this Breton monument with its outstanding 15th-to-17th centuries buildings will transport you back in time.

SAINT-NAZAIRE MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE THROUGH YOUR TRAVEL AGENCY LENGTH: 4.5 hours • From £ 68/pp

We'll begin our visit with the Escal'Atlantic, which ingeniously retraces the history of Norman and French ocean liners through a unique experience. Then we'll continue on to the Saint-Nazaire shipyard, one of the largest and well-renowned in Europe. Once the birthplace of the most outstanding French transatlantic liners, today it is the construction site for elegant cruise ships. While following a tour especially designed to better understand the complexity of constructing these truly modern floating palaces, you'll discover the immensity of this site (267 acres), the stunning logistics, and the advanced technology required to build the ships.

Each passenger will be asked to produce a valid passport in order to gain access to the shipyard.

THE CHÂTEAUX OF THE LOIRE VALLEY LENGTH: 11 hours • INCLUDED

We'll leave by coach for the Azay-le-Rideau Château. Built on a small island in

the middle of the Indre River, the château as it is seen today was built under Francis I by Gilles Berthelot, a wealthy financier who wanted to incorporate its medieval past alongside the latest architectural styles of the Italian renaissance. This château is a French national monument and possesses all the refinement found in the French Renaissance. We'll continue to Villandry for lunch. After lunch, enjoy a walk through the lovely gardens surrounding the château. Spread out over an impressive area, the gardens bring together aestheticism, diversity and harmony. Afterwards, we'll continue our tour and visit the Ussé Château. Rebuilt in the 15th and 16th centuries, this stronghold with fortified towers, turrets and steeples looks like something out of a fairytale. The castle is still inhabited today and takes visitors back to a time of legends and fairytales. It is thought to have inspired Charles Perrault when writing "Sleeping Beauty".

THE MUSCADET REGION LENGTH: 5 hours • From £ 65/pp

We'll pass through several villages that are testimony to the strong winegrowing iden-tity in the region. We'll continue towards La Chapelle Heulin and stop at the Cassemichère Château (or similar site). This exceptional site invites you to discover its history-filled vineyards, visit its cellars and taste* the dry, light, fruity and aromatic wine. Transfer to Clisson, a charming me-dieval town with 15th century vestiges and a slight Italian feel.

DISCOVERY EXCURSIONS

CHÂTEAU DE BRISSAC

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 79/pp

We'll leave by coach for a visit to the Château de Brissac, located about nine miles from the city of Angers. Known as the tallest royal residence in France, it contains 204 rooms, monumental staircases and 204 rooms, monumental starcases and never-ending hallways. Acquired by René de Cossé in the 16th century, the Château de Brissac is still owned by the Cossé-Brissac family. Its park contains some magnificent shady spots under centuries-old trees, and the castle's spectacular decorations and the breathtaking Belle Époque theatre are definitely not to be missed! At theatre are definitely not to be missed! At the end of our visit, we'll discover the castle cellars and enjoy a wine tasting*.

Closed on Tuesdays, replaced with the château

HELICOPTER RIDE: THE LOIRE FROM ABOVE LENGTH OF THE RIDE: 10 minutes From £ 222/pp

Leaving from Ancenis, experience an unforgettable flight over the Loire River. You'll soar above Ancenis, its hills and châteaux, the castle in Oudon, the Châteaux de Clermont, etc.

Flight subject to favourable weather conditions reservations must be made before the cruise begins and are subject to availability.

NANTES: THE MACHINES DE L'ÎLE, SECRET COURTYARDS AND COVERED PASSAGEWAYS

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 72/pp

Leaving from the dock in Nantes, you'll set out to discover the magical world of the Machines de l'île. This totally unprecedented artistic project is a cross between the imaginations of Jules Verne and Leonardo da Vinci. After this exceptional tour, we'll continue on to explore Nantes through its hidden courtyards and covered passageways reflecting the glorious past of the city's grand families from the 15th century to today.

The Machines de l'Île are closed on Mondays (except in July & August).



6-DAY / 5-NIGHT CRUISE • REF. SIP_PP EVENT 2024

The most picturesque ports of call in the Seine Valley Round-trip cruise from Paris

DAY 11 Paris Boarding at 6:00 p.m. Introduction of the crew and welcome cocktail "Titi parisien" themed evening

DAY 2 l Paris • Les Andelys • Honfleur Cruise towards Les Andelys Excursion for both packages:

· Visit of the Martainville Château Cruise towards Honfleur

DAY 3 l Honfleur

Excursion for both packages: Full-day guided tour to the Landing Beaches (lunch included)⁽¹⁾

DAY 4 l Honfleur • Duclair • Rouen Excursion for both packages:

• Honfleur

Cruise towards Rouen Excursion for both packages:

Rouen

Gala dinner

Cruise towards Paris



DAY 5 l Rouen • Paris Cruise towards Paris Excursions proposed:

- CLASSIC: Panoramic tour of Paris
- · DISCOVERY: Stroll on the banks of the Seine and the bridges of Paris Cruise through Paris by night (depending on water level)

DAY 6 l Paris Disembark at 9:00 a.m.

See excursion details on page 73.

Cruise highlights

- · Ship moored in the heart of Paris and Honfleur
- · Travel through a spectacular valley whose changing light has inspired countless painters and poets of all ages
- "Titi parisien" themed evening on board

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- Visit of the Martainville Château
- Honfleur, its picturesque narrow streets and emblematic old harbour
- · Rouen, city of art and history, historic capital of Normandy
- The Landing Beaches(1) (day-trip)
- · Paris and its legendary places



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(1) This excursion must be booked in advance through you travel agency. Available for a minimum of 25 participants.





8-DAY / 7-NIGHT CRUISE • REF. PCN_PP EVENT 2024 Paris, the Seine Valley, and the Normandy Beaches Round-trip cruise from Paris

DAY 11 Paris Boarding at 6:00 p.m. Introduction of the crew and welcome cocktail Cruise through Paris by night (depending on water level)

DAY 21 Paris

Excursions proposed:

- CLASSIC: Panoramic tour of Paris
- DISCOVERY: Stroll on the banks of the Seine and the bridges of Paris

Free afternoon in Paris

Excursions proposed:

- CLASSIC: Guided tour of the Château de Versailles(1-2
- DISCOVERY: Walking tour of the gardens at the palace of Versailles⁽¹⁻²⁾

DAY 3 l Vernon

Cruise towards Vernon

Excursion for both packages:

• Visit of the Claude Monet Foundation in Giverny

Cruise towards Honfleur

DAY 4 l Honfleur Cruise towards Honfleur Excursions proposed:

- CLASSIC: The Côte Fleurie and tasting of Calvados
- DISCOVERY: The Alabaster Coast



DAY 5 l Honfleur

Excursion for both packages:

· Full-day guided tour to the Landing Beaches (lunch included)(1)

DAY 6 l Honfleur • Rouen Excursion for both packages:

• Honfleur

Cruise towards Rouen

Excursion for both packages:

• Guided tour of Rouen

DAY 7 l Rouen • Les Andelys Cruise towards Les Andelys

- Excursions proposed:
 CLASSIC: Visit of the Martainville Château
- DISCOVERY: Walk to Château Gaillard(3

Gala dinner

DAY 81 Paris Disembark at 9:00 a.m.

Cruise highlights

- Ship moored in the heart of Paris and Honfleur
- · Travel through a spectacular valley whose changing light has inspired countless painters and poets of all ages

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- Paris and its legendary places
- The Côte Fleurie
- The Landing Beaches⁽¹⁾ (day-trip)
- The Claude Monet Foundation







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- This excursion must be booked in advance through your travel agency. Available for a minimum of 25 participants.
- (2) Available for a minimum of 25 persons, otherwise (and on Mondays) this excursion will be replaced by a visit to the Château de Malmaison.
- (3) Replaced by the Martainville Château on Tuesdays when the Château Gaillard is closed.

Cruise through the decades with Music Theme Cruises

Want to relive your teenage years? Have a longing for music of decades past? Treat yourself to a nostalgic cruise weekend on the Seine that pays homage to yesteryear, celebrating rock 'n' roll icons of the '60s to '90s.

This original weekend will help you get lost in your favourite flavour of nostalgia.

Departures from Paris. Contact us for more details.



The Seine Valley



Our excursions · The Seine Valley

EXCURSIONS PACKAGE: Book several excursions at the same time as your cruise and benefit from preferential rates. Contact us for more information.

Our excursions are valid for a minimum of 25 participants. Below this number, our rates can be adjusted on board.

CLASSIC EXCURSIONS

CLAUDE MONET FOUNDATION IN GIVERNY

LENGTH: 3.5 hours • From £ 55/pp

We'll leave by coach for the Claude Monet Foundation in Giverny (Monet's house between 1883 and 1926) where you'll discover the famous garden with its riot of flowers as well as Monet's private collection of Japanese prints. Inside, Monet's particular taste for warm tones will strike you. You'll also get to see some painting reproductions in the workshop.

GUIDED TOUR OF THE CHÂTEAU DE VER-SAILLES

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 102/pp

Departure by coach in the company of your hostess for a visit to the Château de Versailles. Listed as a World Heritage Site for thirty years, the Château de Versailles is considered to be one of the finest achievements of French art from the 17th century. Louis XIII's former hunting lodge was transformed and enlarged by his son Louis XIV, who fixed the Court and government of France here in 1682. Until the French Revolution, one king followed another, each embellishing the Château in his turn. When you arrive, your guide will take you through the King's Grand Apartment. These seven successive rooms were intended to serve as a Parade Apartment, that is to say for the sovereign's official business. This is why it was decorated with the most splendid riches and based on the model of Italian palaces of the time. During

daytime, it was open to all, French and foreigners, who came to see the king, and it was reserved for the Court three evenings a week. Afterwards, you'll go through the Hall of Mirrors, known in the 17th century as the "Great Gallery" and which was where courtesans would wait, meet or just pass through every day. This 75 m-long, 10 m-wide and 12 m-high hall was designed by Mansart in. The principal feature of this hall is the seventeen mirror-clad arches that reflect the seventeen arcaded windows that overlook the gardens. You tour will end with a visit to the Queen's Apartments, where the Queen would host the ladies of the Court when she rose in the morning and granted private audiences. After visiting the Château, you will still have a little free time to discover the fabulous formal French gardens created by André Le Notre for Louis XIV. Return on board by coach.

HONFLEUR

LENGTH: 1.5 hours • From £ 23/pp

Honfleur, the cradle of Impressionism, is located at the mouth of the Seine as it flows into the English Channel. Untouched by the passage of time, this small port has kept the landmarks of its rich past, making it today one of the most visited towns in France. During our guided tour, we'll get to see landmarks such as the Vieux Bassin, Saint Catherine's Church and the original 17th century Salt Halls (Greniers à Sel).

MARTAINVILLE CHÂTEAU

LENGTH: 5 hours • From £ 48/pp

We'll leave by coach with our hostess for the Martainville Château. Built at the end of the 15th century by Jacques Le Pelletier and bought by the State in 1906, it was turned into a museum in 1961. There, you'll learn about 500 years of rural Norman history and travel to the heart of Norman traditions.

PARIS: PANORAMIC GUIDED TOUR

LENGTH: 3.5 hours • From £ 57/pp

We'll leave by coach with our guide to discover the mythical sites of the capital. Our coach will take you past Bercy, the F. Mitterrand National Library, the Bastille, the Marais, the Latin Quarter, Saint-Germain-des-Prés, the Louvre, the Pyramid, the Opéra Garnier, Place Vendôme, the Concorde, the Champs Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe, the Invalides, the Trocadéro and of course the famous Eiffel Tower.

ROUEN

LENGTH: 2 hours • From £ 23/pp

Stretched along the Seine, Rouen is Normandy's cultural, historical, and gastronomical capital. The exceptionally complex Notre-Dame Cathedral is renowned for the juxtaposition of all the Gothic periods. We'll walk past the Gros-Horloge, one of the most emblematic monuments in the city, located right next to a Gothic belfry which has housed the communal bells and clock of the city since its construction. Finally, we'll visit the Saint Joan of Arc Church on the Old Market Place.

THE CÔTE FLEURIE

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 78/pp

We'll depart by coach with our guide, first

stopping in Deauville, the most glamorous coastal French city. Enjoy a stroll along the beach and discover the facade of the famous casino, one of the nicest in Europe. We'll then set off for the Château du Breuil, one of the most beautiful examples of the architectural heritage of this region. Today, it is also home to a prestigious distillery where you will get the chance to discover the various steps to making Calvados before tasting* it.

THE LANDING BEACHES MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE THROUGH YOUR TRAVEL AGENCY

LENGTH: 10 hours • From £ 147/pp

We'll leave by coach for a day trip (lunch included) to the landing beaches. Arrival at Pointe du Hoc, the scene of one of the landings on June 6, 1944. We'll then pass through Omaha Beach, Colleville sur Mer and its American cemetery. After lunch, we'll continue to Arromanches and stop at Arromanches 360° where you'll be able to watch a film in its circular room. The Price of Liberty combines archived footage filmed in June 1944 by war correspondents with current shots on the same site. We'll get back to Honfleur via Gold Beach, Juno Beach and Sword Beach.

DISCOVERY EXCURSIONS

STROLL ON THE BANKS OF THE SEINE, THE BRIDGES OF PARIS

LENGTH: 3 hours • From £ 48/pp

We'll set out from the Quai de Grenelle for a stroll along the banks of the Seine which were added to the UNESCO list of World Heritage Sites in 1991. Come with us and discover the splendid sites and surprising points of view on each side of the river. You'll also learn about the complex relationship Parisians have had with their waterways since the Middle Ages. All levels of walkers are welcome to join us and hear about the river's fascinating history.

You will have to return to the ship on your own using the combined transport tickets that are included in your cruise. The guide will not escort you on this return trip.

THE ALABASTER COAST

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 76/pp

Leave Honfleur by coach for the excursion to the Alabaster Coast, classified as a Natura 2000 site since 2009. This trip will be your chance to discover the natural heritage of the Pays de Caux and the Seine estuary. We will pass by Le Havre. The high cliffs of white chalk and stone beaches were popularised by the paintings of Claude Monet. The suspended valleys of the little coastal rivers,

the Normandy bridge and Etretat, sights not to be missed bordering a coast that you will see in a fresh light after this trip. Marvel at the beauty of the Alabaster Coast and the diversity of its plant and animal life. Stop at Etretat. Once a fishing village, Etretat transformed itself into a seaside resort in the 19th century and became a place of inspiration for artists (Gustave Courbet, Eugène Boudin and Claude Monet), writers (Gustave Flaubert and Guy de Maupassant, Maurice Leblanc) and famous people (J. Michelet, F. Faure, the Queens of Spain, J. Bonaparte...). Etretat was the holiday spot of numerous famous opera composers and singers of the 19th century who had villas there or stayed there regularly in a comic-opera decor. The town has several remarkable chateaus, manor houses and villas, such as the Manoir de la Salamandre (a house admired by tourists and located in the main street near the hall), The Clos Lupin and the Château des Aygues which were the seaside residences of the Spanish queens Maria Christina of the Two Sicilies and Isabel II. Return by coach to Honfleur.

WALK TO CHÂTEAU GAIL-LARD

LENGTH: 2.5 hours • From £ 56/pp

From Les Andelys, we'll walk to the Châ-

teau Gaillard. Come discover this ruined medieval castle and its gorgeous views overlooking the small city of Les Andelys and one of the loveliest bends in the Seine. The complex and advanced-design castle was expensive to build, yet the majority of the work was done in an unusually short time. After our walk and visit, we'll return to the ship by coach. The Château Gaillard is closed on Tuesdays.

WALKING TOUR OF THE GARDENS OF THE PALACE OF VERSAILLES LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 92/pp

Set out on foot for an unequaled tour of the magnificent palace gardens. An alternative experience at Versailles will bring you face to face with groves, sculptures, thriving greenery, and abundant water sources. In 1661, King Louis XIV authorized André Le Nôtre to create a French-style garden that would be the envy of all in the great European courts through the 18th century. The Sun King took such great pleasure in exploring his gardens, he wrote a book explaining how to give tours of the immense grounds. This tour will follow the king's recommendations, and your guides will let you in on the secrets and tales of this unique site—one of the most beautiful open-air museums in

* Alcohol can be dangerous to your health. Please drink in moderation.





6-DAY / 5-NIGHT CRUISE • REF. BOS PP

A cruise in Aquitaine: the great wines of Southern France Round-trip cruise from Bordeaux

DAY 1 l Bordeaux Boarding at 6:00 p.m. Introduction of the crew and welcome cocktail

DAY 2 l Bordeaux • Cussac-Fort-Médoc The Médoc

Cruise towards Cussac-Fort-Médoc

- Excursions proposed:
 CLASSIC: The Grands Crus Wine Route of the Médoc
- DISCOVERY: Helicopter ride of the Médoc(2) and wine tasting

DAY 3 l Cussac-Fort-Médoc The Gironde Estuary • Blaye(1)

Cruise towards Blave

- Excursions proposed:
 CLASSIC: The Route de la Corniche Fleurie and the Blaye Citadel
- · DISCOVERY: Blaye and its underground monuments

DAY 4 l Blaye(1) • Libourne(1) Saint-Émilion

Cruise towards Libourne Excursions proposed:

- · CLASSIC: Saint-Émilion
- DISCOVERY: Libourne by bike Gala dinner



DAY 5 l Libourne⁽¹⁾ • Bordeaux Cruise towards Bordeaux Oyster tasting on board Excursions proposed:

- · CLASSIC: Bordeaux, the quartier des Chartrons, Wine and Trade museum and wine tasting
- DISCOVERY: The Bassins des Lumières in Bordeaux

DAY 61 Bordeaux Disembark at 9:00 a.m.

See excursion details on pages 76 and 77.

POSSIBILITY TO EXTEND YOUR STAY REF. BIS PP

The French Basque Country: gastronomy at the foot of the Pyrenees

Detailed programme, dates and prices on request.

Cruise highlights

- · Discover the largest area of AOC vineyards in the world
- · Oyster tasting on board with a glass of white wine

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- · Bordeaux, and its emblematic quartier des Chartrons
- · The Grands Crus wines of the region
- · Blaye and Vauban's citadel
- Saint-Émilion, the history of a medieval village



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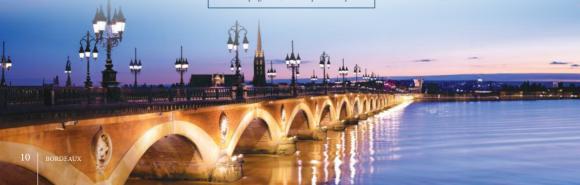
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Depending on mooring availability, the stopover in Blaye and Libourne may be replaced by a stopover in Bourg.
 Subject to availability and favorable weather conditions.





7-DAY / 6-NIGHT CRUISE • REF. BYA PP

Cruise through the Aquitaine region from Bordeaux to Royan Along the Gironde Estuary and the Garonne and Dordogne rivers

DAY 1 l Bordeaux Cussac-Fort-Médoc Boarding at 6:00 p.m. Introduction of the crew and welcome cocktail Cruise towards Cussac-Fort-Médoc

DAY 2 l Cussac-Fort-Médoc The Médoc • Gironde Estuary • Royan Excursions proposed:

- CLASSIC: The Grands Crus Wine Route of the Médoc
- · DISCOVERY: Helicopter ride of the Médoc(1) and wine tasting Excursion for both packages:
- · Royan and its waterfront

DAY 3 l Royan • Rochefort • La Rochelle

Full-day excursion proposed:

· Rochefort and La Rochelle Cruise towards Libourne

DAY 4 l Libourne(2) • Bordeaux

- Excursions proposed:
 CLASSIC: Saint-Émilion
- DISCOVERY: Libourne by bike Cruise towards Bordeaux

DAY 5 l Bordeaux • Cadillac Cruise towards Cadillac

- Excursions proposed:
 CLASSIC: The Château de Roquetaillade and Cadillac
- DISCOVERY: "Pick-me-up" walk in Cadillac

Cruise towards Bordeaux Gala dinner

DAY 6 l Bordeaux • Arcachon Bay Bordeaux

Excursion for both packages:

• Day-trip to the heart of the Arcachon Bay

- Excursions proposed:
 CLASSIC: Bordeaux, the quartier des Chartrons, Wine and Trade museum and wine tasting
- DISCOVERY: The Bassins des Lumières in Bordeaux

Free time in Bordeaux In the evening, oyster tasting on board

DAY 7 l Bordeaux Disembark at 9:00 a.m.

See excursion details on pages 76 and 77.



Cruise highlights

• Oyster tasting on board with a glass of white wine

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- The Médoc Wine Route
- · The charming, retro city
- Rochefort and the Corderie Royale
- The seaside city of La Rochelle
- Arcachon Bay and the Dune



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The Garonne & Dordogne Valleys



Our excursions The Garonne & Dordogne Valleys

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CLASSIC EXCURSIONS

ARCACHON BAY (DAY TRIP - LUNCH INCLUDED) LENGTH: 10.5 hours • From £ 156/pp

Departure by coach from Bordeaux for the Bassin d'Arcachon. We will start our tour with a boat trip on the Bassin d'Arcachon. You'll be able to see the Bird Island, the famous "Cabanes tchanquées" houses on stilts and the oyster beds. Free time in Arcachon. We will have lunch in a local restaurant. In the afternoon, we will go to the Great Dune of Pilat. Culminating at 107 m, it is the highest sand dune in Europe. The view from the top is awe-inspiring.

BLAYE: THE ROUTE DE LA CORNICHE FLEURIE AND THE CITADEL

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 52/pp

We'll leave by coach with a tour guide for a journey along the Route de la Corniche Fleurie. You'll see the old, traditional fishing huts on stilts and the remarkable limestone cliffs. We'll also stop in Bourg to take in the impressive views and walk to the market center where you'll be able to taste the local figs. After we return to Blaye, we'll have a guided tour of the citadel built by Vauban, including the monastery and several army barracks. We'll finish up our tour with a tasting of the famous Blaye "praslines".

BORDEAUX, THE CHARTRONS DISTRICT, WINE AND COMMERCE MU-SEUM

LENGTH: 3 hours • From £ 50/pp

Set out with your guide on foot to explore the old neighborhood where wine merchants performed their trade—the Chartrons District. You'll visit the Wine and Commerce Museum to trace the history of Bordeaux's classic nectar. We'll enjoy a tasting of wine*.

CHÂTEAU DE ROQUETAIL-LADE

AND CADILLAC

LENGTH: 4.5 hours • From £ 58/pp

We'll leave by coach for the Château de Roquetaillade. This magnificent and prestigious medieval castle built between the 12th and 14th centuries is a listed historic monument. You will see its medieval keeps, the first Renaissance chimneys in the region (1600), but above all its unique 19th century interiors, a masterpiece by Viollet-le-Duc today listed as a historic monument. Along the way, we will visit a vineyard and enjoy a tasting* of a wine from the Sauternes area. We'll return to Cadillac for our guided tour of the town located on the right bank of the Garonne. The Grailly family, Lords of Cadillac, founded this "bastide"

(walled town) where the Duke of Épernon built a sumptuous castle.

ROCHEFORT AND LA ROCHELLE

LENGTH: 10 hours • From £ 144/pp

We'll leave by coach for Rochefort. The historical downtown area boasts lovely private mansions and beautiful homes where the legendary sailors and explorers lived. We'll visit the Corderie Royale, a historical rope-making factory. Afterwards, we'll head to La Rochelle. We'll stop for lunch in a local restaurant. During a guided tour of the old town and port, you'll learn about the Grosse-Horologe gate, Renaissance arcades, lovely half-timbered homes, finely sculpted facades of the private mansions, and the cathedral.

ROYAN AND ITS WATER-FRONT

LENGTH: 1 hour • INCLUDED

Join us for a panoramic tour of Royan, a seaside city and an official French "Ville d'Art et d'Histoire". Villas from the Belle Epoque

and the charming "retro" homes from the 1950s line the waterfront. In the Foncillon District, we'll have a look at the fascinating church and learn about its conception.

SAINT-ÉMILION

LENGTH: 3 hours • From £ 74/pp

A guide will tell you all about the history of the medieval town of Saint-Émilion during our tour. We'll visit the Monolithic church, an original monument hewn entirely in limestone and the largest in Europe. Afterwards, we'll depart for a visit to a family-owned wine-growing estate where

the owner will explain the various stages of wine-making in Saint-Émilion. We'll finish up our tour with a commented wine-tasting* session.

THE GRANDS CRUS WINE ROUTE OF THE MÉDOC MUST BE BOOKED IN ADVANCE THROUGH YOUR TRAVEL AGENCY LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 74/pp

We'll depart by coach for our trip along the Grands Crus Wine Route of the Médoc, a prestigious wine-growing region that produces the most prestigious red wines on the planet, tightly wedged between an ocean and an estuary. We'll travel along the Châteaux Route through most of the Mé-

DISCOVERY EXCURSIONS

BLAYE AND ITS UNDER-GROUND MONUMENTS

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 67/pp

We'll leave on foot to visit the Blaye Citadel, built in the 17th century by Vauban in order to better protect the city of Bordeaux. You will explore the underground passages that soldiers once used and learn how the site was developed using older buildings that Vauban preserved and reused. After our tour, we'll walk a few more feet to a local vineyard and taste* some regional products with an excellent glass of wine.

HELICOPTER RIDE OF THE MÉDOC AND WINE TASTING

LENGTH: 10 min • From £ 216/pp

Discover the Médoc Region as never before! Taking off from the Château-d'Arsac, you'll experience breathtaking views of the prestigious vineyards producing the Margaux wines. You'll see the point where the Dordogne and Gironde Rivers meet up to form the extraordinary Gironde Estuary. After your flight, you'll tour the wine cellar and taste three AOC wines. The Château d'Arsac incorporates 1,000 years of history as one of the oldest wine domains in the Medoc producing exceptional wines and possessing singular works of art.

Flight subject to favorable weather conditions - reservations must be made before the cruise begins and are subject to availability.

LIBOURNE BY BIKE AND WINE TASTING

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 81/pp

Guided tour of Libourne. Discover this former English bastide. Located at the confluence of the Isle and Dordogne rivers, Libourne expanded around its port. We'll see the Saint John the Baptist Church, Abel Surchamp Square, and the imposing clock tower in the grand harbor. Then, we'll hop on our bikes and head over to the Pomerol wine-growing area. We'll enjoy a tasting of wine.*

"PICK-ME-UP" WALK IN CADILLAC

LENGTH: 3 hours • From £ 67/pp

You'll set out for a guided tour on foot of the hillsides in Cadillac. You'll cross the city, passing in front of the imposing Château des Ducs d'Épernon before walking up the vineyard trails to some of the most beautiful points of view of the river found in the area. Your tour guide will explain the nature and landscapes that you will see throughout the walk. The walk will finish up with a gourmet pick-me-up at a family farm, where you'll visit the cellars, taste* a few wines and indulge in some local delicacies.

If the ship isn't moored in Cadillac after this excursion, be prepared to pay an additional fee per person for transport back to Bordeaux (payable on board).

THE BASSINS DES LUMIÈRES LENGTH: 3 hours • From £ 68/pp

With our guide leading you, discover this unique digital art center within a former submarine base built by the Germans during their occupation of France during World War II. Each year, the center hosts a different multimedia exhibit, perfectly adapted to the architecture's grandeur and reflective waters.



^{*} Alcohol can be dangerous to your health. Please drink in moderation.



6-DAY / 5-NIGHT CRUISE • REF. LMX PP

The beautiful Rhône Valley Round-trip cruise from Lyon

DAY 1 l Lyon Boarding Introduction of the crew and welcome cocktail Cruise towards Avignon

DAY 2 l Avignon • Arles Cruise towards Avignon Excursions proposed: • CLASSIC: Guided tour

- CLASSIC: Guided tour of Avignon and the Papal Palace
 DISCOVERY: Walk along
- DISCOVERY: Walk along the Pont du Gard Cruise towards Arles

Excursion for both packages:

· Guided tour of Arles

DAY 3 l Arles Port-Saint-Louis-Du-Rhône Martigues⁽¹⁾ Excursions proposed:

- CLASSIC: Discover the Camargue
- DISCOVERY: Jeep through the Camargue Cruise towards Martigues Free time in the city

Cruise towards Arles

DAY 4 l Arles • Viviers

Excursion for both packages:

• Discover the Baux-de-Provence

Cruice towards Viviers

Cruise towards Viviers

DAY 5 l Viviers • La Voulte



The Vercors Plateau • Tain l'Hermitage Cruise towards La Voulte

Excursion for both packages:
• Discover the Vercors and taste the

famous Clairette de Die sparkling wine Gala dinner

Cruise towards Lyon

DAY 6 l Lyon Disembark at 9:00 a.m.

See excursion details on pages 81 and 82.

Cruise highlights

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- Les Baux-de-Provence: one of the "most beautiful villages in France"
- · Arles and its vestiges
- The Camargue: wild and unique
- The Pont du Gard, architectural masterpiece
- The Vercors Plateau and its "hanging houses"



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FAMILY CLUB IN JULY AND AUGUST

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8-DAY / 7-NIGHT CRUISE • REF. LSR PP

Burgundy and Provence along the Saône and the Rhône Round-trip cruise from Lyon

DAY 11 Lyon Boarding at 6:00 p.m. Introduction of the crew and welcome cocktail

DAY 2 l Lyon • Mâcon

- Excursions proposed:
 CLASSIC: Panoramic tour of Lyon
- · DISCOVERY: Food tour of Lyon Cruise towards Mâcon

DAY 3 l Mâcon • Vienne

Excursion for both packages:

• Visit to the Cluny Abbey Cruise towards Vienne

DAY 4 l Vienne

Excursion for both packages:

• Guided tour of Vienne

Cruise towards Avignon

DAY 5 l Avignon • Arles

Excursion for both packages: · Guided tour of Avignon

and the Papal Palace Cruise towards Arles

Excursions proposed:

- CLASSIC: Discover the Camargue
- DISCOVERY: Jeep through the Camargue Provençal folk evening on board

DAY 6 l Arles • Viviers

Excursion for both packages:

- Tour of Arles and stop at a local olive oil producer's Cruise towards Viviers
- Excursion for both packages:
- Guided tour of Viviers

DAY 7 l Viviers • Tournon • Lyon Cruise towards Tournon

Excursion for both packages:

• Guided tour of Tournon

Gala dinner Cruise towards Lyon

DAY 81 Lyon Disembark at 9:00 a.m.

See excursion details on pages 81 and 82.



Cruise highlights

- Extensive discovery of the region and its terroir from the Saône to the Rhône
- Provençal folk evening on board

OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:

- Tastings of local specialties in Tournon
- The highly spiritual Cluny Abbey
- · Lyon and its peculiar "traboules" • Jeep through the wild Camargue
- · Avignon and the Papal Palace with its private apartments



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The Rhône & Saône Valleys



Our excursions · The Rhône & Saône Valleys

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CLASSIC EXCURSIONS

ARLES

LENGTH: 2 hours • From £ 21/pp

Our guided tour of Arles will take us past such sites as the Roman Amphitheatre (the "Arènes"), the Ancient Roman Theatre and the Place St Trophime with its cloister and church. These are part of the Arles route, one of the three pilgrimage routes leading to Santiago de Compostela. We will continue our visit with the Place du Forum and finally, the Thermae of Constantine.

ARLES AND VISIT TO A LO-CAL OLIVE OIL PRODUCER

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 61/pp

We'll leave on foot for our guided tour of Arles. For two thousand years, Arles has maintained an outstanding architectural heritage making it a genuine open-air museum. Our tour will take us past the Roman Amphitheatre (the "Arènes"), the Ancient Roman Theatre and the Place St Trophime with its cloister and church. These are part of the Arles route, one of the three pilgrimage routes leading to Santiago de Compostela. We will continue our visit with the Place du Forum and the Thermae of Constantine before hopping on board our coach leading us to Tarascon. There, we'll visit a local olive oil producer's domain. The owners will explain the various steps to making the "yellow gold of Provence" before we indulge in a tasting of the product.

AVIGNON AND THE PAPAL PALACE LENGTH: 3 hours • From £ 32/pp

We'll set out on foot with our guide for the center of Avignon, first stopping at the Place de l'Horloge. This square has always been the beating heart of the city as revealed by the remains of the Roman forum, still visible amidst the numerous cafés and restaurants that have since taken up its former social function. We'll continue on to the Place du Palais for our visit to the Papal Palace, the most important monument in the city. The two parts that make up the Palace were built by Pope Benedict XII and his successor Pope Clement VI. Our visit will take you through the staterooms where numerous ceremonies and feasts took place, the chapels, the Pope's private apartments and the terraces which offer a wonderful panorama on Avignon and the Rhône River.

BEAUJEU

LENGTH: 10.5 hours • INCLUDED

We'll set out for Beaujeu, the former capital of the Beaujolais. The departure of the Beaujolais Nouveaux wine from the Les Sarmentelles International Festival is a joyful, 30-year-old event. You'll be able to join in on the action and discover the 12 appellations of Beaujolais while listening to great music and admiring the fantastic scenery and quaint architecture of the tiny city. In the evening, we'll enjoy the famous "soirée prestige" in the center of it all, where cabaret shows and dinner prepared by the best chefs in the region await you under outdoor tents. At midnight, we'll set off on a torch-lit stroll to welcome Beaujolais Nouveau Day and watch a fireworks show.

BEAUNE

LENGTH: 4 hours • INCLUDED

As we travel through the outlying hills of Beaune, we'll cross through several well-known wine appellations: Pommard (once appreciated by Henri IV and Louis XV), Puligny, Montrachet, and many others. When we arrive in Beaune, we'll first visit the famous hospice, founded by Chancellor Nicolas Rolin during the extreme poverty and plague that hit the region in 1443. It remained a working hospital overseen by the Holy See up through the 20th century, with the daily activities run by nuns known as Les Soeurs Hospitalières. Now a museum, it contains over 5,000 objects, including a dazzling polyptych altarpiece of The Last Judgment by Rogier van der Weyden. The hospice is also well known for their more than 148 acres of vineyards, most of which are located in prestigious appellation areas. As anticipated, our tour will finish up with a tasting of a selection of these wines.

CLUNY ABBEY LENGTH: 3 hours • INCLUDED

We'll leave by coach with our guide towards Cluny Abbey. Founded in 910 by William the Pious, this ancient Benedictine abbey extended a widespread influence on all of medieval Europe. Its church was the largest in all of West Christianity until the construction of Saint Peter's basilica in Rome. In 1798, the abbey was sold as a national asset and thus dismantled, while its church was almost completely destroyed. Today, you can still admire their vestiges which bear witness to the past splendour of Cluny.

FOLLOWING THE FOOTSTEPS OF VAN GOGH IN ARLES

LENGTH: 2 hours • INCLUDED

We'll leave on foot for a guided tour of Arles following the footsteps of Vincent Van Gogh. Arles is an ancient Roman city whose ruins are second only to Rome and include the Antique Theater, Amphitheater, Thermes of Constantine, and the Alyscamps. Arles is also an important stop along the Way of St. James. Vincent Van Gogh came to Arles to escape the gray winter in Paris and the indifference he felt within the artistic milieu there. He arrived in Arles on February 20, 1888, and immediately began to produce his most prolific number of works in his career: more than 300 paintings and drawings within an 18-month period. Van Gogh crisscrossed the city and its surroundings to paint the landscapes, people, and scenes as he interpreted them. Everything around him served as inspiration for his canvases. Our tour will retrace his steps to the different sites where he set up his easel, such as the Place du Forum, the Quai du Rhône, and Place Lamartine. Panels at each stop compare his painting and the actual scene as it appears today. After some free time on your own, we'll return to the ship.

GASTRONOMIC DINNER AT PAUL BOCUSE'S ABBAYE DE COLLONGES LENGTH: 2 hours • INCLUDED

We'll leave on foot for Paul Bocuse's Abbaye de Collonges for a veritable French feast. Paul Bocuse was a three-star gourmet chef who was known for his innovative approach to cuisine and his love for fresh, high-quality ingredients. This will be a singular experience in an exceptional setting, where you'll be able to relish in out-of-thisworld courses prepared by some of the most renowned chefs.

LYON

LENGTH: 3 hours • From £ 46/pp

We'll leave by coach for our guided panoramic tour of Lyon which will take us all the way to the Fourvière Basilica. We'll first take in the breathtaking views from the heights of the Basilica before visiting its interior. Afterwards, we'll set off on a walking tour with our guide and discover the "traboules", types of passageways that were designed to reach the river quickly. Enjoy some free time in the Old Town.

LYON AND LES HALLES DE LYON PAUL BOCUSE LENGTH: 4 hours • INCLUDED

Join us on a guided tour of Lyon. We'll cross through the city and go up Fourvière Hill to the white basilica, the best place to take in the view. Then we'll head over to Vieux Lyon to have a look at its historical homes and the "bouchon" restaurants that are found throughout the district. Learn about the discrete and strategic doorways leading to shortcuts, known as traboules, that go from street to street. Don't miss the tasting of fine food at Paul Bocuse's Les Halles de Lyon, a huge, three-story, indoor market where close to 50 shops offer the finest gourmet food—a veritable feast for the eyes and palates. We'll enjoy a snack of local sausage and cheese, topped off with a lovely glass of wine*. Enjoy some free time before returning to the ship.

MÂCON

LENGTH: 2 hours • From £ 22/pp

Although it is still in the Burgundy region, with its unique roof tiles and brightly colored facades, Mâcon feels like it should border the Mediterranean Sea. The city has a wide range of striking monuments and beautiful, old mansions lining the streets in the older sections.

SAINT-RÉMY-DE-PROVENCE LENGTH: 4 hours • INCLUDED

We'll set off on a tour that includes areas of the beautiful Alpilles Natural Regional Park and the vines that produce the classic Baux-de-Provence wines. The red and rosé wines are produced mostly from the Grenache, Syrah, and Mourvèdre varieties, giving them aromas that include blackberry, violet, black olives, and herbs. We'll visit Saint-Rémy-de-Provence, located in the Alpilles Natural Regional Park, a quintessential Provençal village bursting with French charm. We'll visit a local vineyard for a tasting*.

TAIN L'HERMITAGE, WINE TASTING

LENGTH: 1.5 hours • From £ 25/pp

We'll leave on foot for the visit of a wine cellar in Tain l'Hermitage. We'll discover the vats, barrels and storehouse and learn all there is to know about wine-making, followed by a wine-tasting session*.

THE BAUX-DE-PROVENCE LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 51/pp

Discover the Baux-de-Provence, one of the most beautiful villages in France. Located at the heart of the Alpilles on a rocky plateau, the village overlooks breathtaking landscapes over Arles, the Camargue and the Alpilles. This gorgeous and impressive stone fortress is definitely a must-see.

THE BEAUJOLAIS VI-NEYARDS AND WINE TAS-TING

LENGTH: 4 hours • INCLUDED

Departure by coach to discover the Beaujolais vineyards extending on 22,500 ha. We will pass through charming little wine-growing villages before reaching Romanèche-Thorins for a visit to the "Hameau Dubeuf", a unique museum in Europe containing a collection of old and rare objects from over 2,000 years of wine-growing history. We'll learn about the current wine-making and vine-growing processes when visiting the wine storehouse where the wines are left to age in oak barrels. In the midst of the Beaujolais vineyards, we will discover the skills of the winemakers through exhibitions, automated puppet theaters and 3-D films. Afterwards, immerse yourself in fine aromas and delightful scents during a walk through the surprising gardens of "cenoparc", a true haven for wine-lovers spread out on 30,000 m² and 25 exhibition halls. Before leaving the "Hameau Dubeuf", we will, of course, enjoy a tasting* of some of the region's wines.

THE CÔTES DE PROVENCE REGION

LENGTH: 3 hours • INCLUDED

The Côtes de Provence region is best known for its crisp rosé wines and magnificent scenery. Provence was one of the very first regions to cultivate grapevines for wine production almost 2,600 years ago. Today, vineyards extend along the coastline and deep inland. The strong mistral winds are key to its great success. We'll visit a local vineyard for a tasting*.

THE GOLDEN HUES OF THE BEAUJOLAIS REGION LENGTH: 4 hours • INCLUDED

The rocky area to the south of Lyon is known for the lovely golden hues that glow

differently as the sun moves across the sky. The area is as much a feast for the eyes as it is for your taste buds. Join us for a tour to discover the beauty of the region. We'll visit a local vineyard for a tasting*.

THE VERCORS

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 67/pp

We'll leave by coach from La Voulte towards Die. Carved out in limestone, the Vercors Regional Nature Park extends over 186,000 ha between the Isère Valley to the north and the Diois to the south. Water has shaped deep gorges in the cliffs, majestic cirques, caves and chasms among the most famous in Europe. Wooded plateaux and valleys shaped by agriculture are home to a remarkable fauna and flora. We'll stop at the cellars of Die Jaillance to discover a true love story between man and the vine and enjoy a wine-tasting* session. Afterwards, we will continue by coach for a panoramic view of the Rousset Pass located in the heart of the Vercors and reaching an altitude of over 1,400 m. The belvedere culminates at a height of 1,245 m and from this point of view the scenery is outstanding: arid escarpments and a road with hairpin bends down the hill, which accentuates the overall impression of depth. We'll move on towards Vassieux-en-Vercors, La Chapelle-en-Vercors and Pont-en-Royans where you'll get to see the suspended houses, whose daring architecture dates as far back as the perched village itself, built in the 15th century. Last, we'll drive through Romans-sur-Isère well known for its shoe industry.

TOURING THE CAMARGUE AND VISITING A MANADE

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 70/pp

Enjoy a panoramic guided tour of the Camargue. Sit back and admire the rivers, marshes, ponds, flamingoes, black bulls and the famous, indigenous Camargue horses. Discover the salt and rice fields that make the area so well known. We'll visit a manade (bull breeding farm) and learn about the work of a manadier as we watch a demonstration of how they work with the animals they raise. Our visit will include a cocktail* on the patio.

TOURNON

LENGTH: 3 hours • From £ 47/pp

Located in the heart of the Rhône Valley, at the gates of Provence, Tournon will enchant you with its heady perfumes. We'll begin our visit on foot passing all the main tourist attractions of the town, including the historic monuments and shopping areas. We'll stop at the Château Museum

where we'll get the opportunity to discover the permanent collection tracing the history of navigation on the Rhône River. This imposing castle was built on a high granite rock overlooking the town and was the domain of the barony of the Counts of Tournon. At the foot of the castle, enjoy a Pleasant walk along the streets and alleys of the historic centre which will take you back to the Middle Ages. Our visit will end with a tasting* of regional products and wines. We'll return to the ship on foot.

VIENNE

LENGTH: 2 hours • From £ 18/pp

Our guided walking tour of Vienne will allow us to discover a Roman city rich in vestiges. The history of Vienne goes back more than 2,000 years. The city is indivisible from the Rhône River and the surrounding hills. The Allobrogi people are thought to have made it their capital, but it was in the Roman era that the city began to prosper on both banks. You will see the Antique Theatre; built roughly between 40 and 50 AD, it is considered one of the largest in the Roman Empire, with its 130m-diameter and 13,000-spectator capacity. Restored in 1938, it was returned to its original function and is now a venue for artistic events. The tour will continue with the Temple of Augustus and Livia (exteriors only). This temple dedicated to Rome and Augustus stood in a sacred area on the forum and has carried this name since the end of the 18th century. Its construction began about 20-10 BC; it was later transformed at the beginning of the Middle Ages into a church, and was finally restored in the second half of the 19th century thanks to the intervention of Prosper Mérimée. Finally, to complete the tour, you will see the Cathedral of St Maurice (exteriors only), which has been listed as a historic monument since 1840.

VIVIERS

LENGTH: 2 hours • From £ 22/pp

We'll leave on foot for our guided tour of Viviers. The third largest protected sector in the Rhône Alpes region and residence of bishops since the 5th century, Viviers, a small town with a population of 3,500 is like an open-air museum where every stone contains a page of history. You will be able to admire France's smallest Cathedral in this sumptuous medieval town. Among other things you will see the House of Knights with its superb Renaissance façade, the Tower of St Michael, the great seminary and the Belvedere with an unobstructed view of Viviers at night.

DISCOVERY EXCURSIONS

FOOD TOUR OF LYON

LENGTH: 3 hours • From £ 68/pp

Join us for a guided tour on foot within the heart of Lyon, known as the Presqu'île. What makes this tour unique are the stops at several eateries to have a bite of the local cuisine. The sweet pink praline and savory cold cuts are the stars of this show. We'll discover the multitude of candies and pastries made with pink praline, a local confection you just can't say no to. For those with a savory tooth, our next stop will be a tasting of regional charcuterie. During this tour, your guide will also talk about renowned local chefs for a complete understanding of the "Gastronomic Capital of the

JEEP THROUGH THE CAMARGUE

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 102/pp

Far from the tourist traps, discover the Petite and Grande Camargue from the back of a jeep with local guides who will share their enthusiasm for this legendary area. You'll cross the Parc Naturel Régional de Camargue, a nationally designated protected area with ponds and marshes that are home to waders, flamingoes, egrets, herons, etc. Join us for another way to get up and close to nature.

WALK ALONG THE PONT DU GARD AND VISIT TO THE MUSEUM

LENGTH: 4 hours • From £ 106/pp

You'll leave by coach for the Pont du Gard, a true masterpiece of ancient architecture. Built as a three-level aqueduct, it carried water across the Gardon River. We'll walk along the aqueduct trail, a 2-mile walk through the site with numerous viewing points. At the end of our walk, we'll visit the museum and then return on board our ship.

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