

WONDERFUL FRANCE

9 DAYS | 2 COUNTRIES | 12 MEALS | FROM US\$2750pp*

STROLL ALONG PONT DU GARD, SOAK UP THE SUN-KISSED CHARM OF ST. TROPEZ AND MONACO, AND MEET THE WIDOW OF PIERRE SALINGER, SPECIAL ADVISOR TO JOHN F. KENNEDY, OVER A HOME-COOKED MEAL.



● START ● OVERNIGHT ● SIGHTSEEING
● END

THE Icons

WALKING TOUR in Paris with a Local Specialist

CITY TOUR in Arles

ORIENTATION of Paris, Beaune, Lyon, Aix-en-Provence, Monaco and Avignon

VISIT Pont du Gard and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris

CRUISE to St. Tropez

VIEW Place Bellecour and the Basilica of Notre Dame in Lyon, the Royal Palace and Cathedral in Monaco, the Palace of the Popes in Avignon

YOUR Holiday

DAY

1 ARRIVE PARIS (2 NIGHTS) 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. **(WR)** **Hotel: Renaissance La Defense**

2 PARIS SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME Join a Local Specialist to delve into the hidden squares and secret lanes of a Paris not normally frequented by tourists. Visit Notre Dame Cathedral 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. **(BB)**

3 PARIS – BEAUNE – LYON Journey 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. **(BB)** **Hotel: Novotel Gerland**

4 LYON – AIX-EN-PROVENCE – MONACO – FRENCH RIVIERA (2 NIGHTS) 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 the late Princess Grace and Prince Rainier were married. This evening, we enjoy a delicious Regional Meal together in Monaco before arriving at our hotel, where we'll spend the next two nights. **(BB, RM)** **Hotel: Montaigne & Spa**

5 FRENCH RIVIERA FREE DAY Walk in the footsteps of the world's big stars, strolling along the stylish streets of Cannes on this day at leisure in the French Riviera. See the famous Palais des Festivals at the end of La Croisette, relax on the beach with the beautiful people, or visit the delightful hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, a favourite haunt of the rich and famous. **(BB)**

6 FRENCH RIVIERA – ST. TROPEZ – ARLES – AVIGNON (2 NIGHTS) We arrive by boat in glitzy St. Tropez for a leisurely morning sojourn to soak up our fashionable surrounds. Continue to Arles, to admire the 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. We arrive in 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 famous French song, *Sur le pont d'Avignon*. **(BB)** **Hotel: Mercure Pont d'Avignon**

7 PONT DU GARD EXCURSION AND AVIGNON FREE TIME We cross the impressive Pont du Gard aqueduct in the company of a Local Specialist and learn about the history of this elevated architectural wonder that has spanned the Gardon River since Roman times. We return to Avignon for lunch and some time at leisure. Tonight, we enjoy delicious Provençal flavours as we 'Connect With Locals' and join the widow of Pierre Salinger for a memorable Be My Guest meal in a converted historic mill on the banks of the Sorgue. **(BB, DW, 🍷)**

8 AVIGNON – TGV TRAIN – PARIS FREE TIME 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'll have the rest of the afternoon to explore the city on your own. This evening we celebrate an unforgettable *sojourn* through France at a Farewell Dinner with our Travel Director and newfound friends. **(BB, FD)** **Hotel: Evergreen Laurel**

9 DEPART 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. Transfers are available. Conditions apply. **(BB)**



TRAFALGAR Tip

If you want to shop like a true Parisian, head to the Marais district where you will find wonderful little boutiques hidden away in courtyards off the main streets.

Jonathan Holburn, Travel Director

YOUR HOLIDAY Planner

Price PP			Price PP		
Start Paris	End Paris	Twin Share	Start Paris	End Paris	Twin Share
SA 06 APR	SU 14 APR	2750	▲ SA 13 JUL	SU 21 JUL	2850
SA 13 APR	SU 21 APR	2750	SA 20 JUL	SU 28 JUL	2850
SA 20 APR	SU 28 APR	2750	SA 27 JUL	SU 04 AUG	2850
SA 27 APR	SU 05 MAY	2795			
SA 04 MAY	SU 12 MAY	2795	SA 03 AUG	SU 11 AUG	2850
SA 11 MAY	SU 19 MAY	2795	SA 10 AUG	SU 18 AUG	2850
SA 18 MAY	SU 26 MAY	2795	SA 17 AUG	SU 25 AUG	2850
SA 25 MAY	SU 02 JUN	2850	SA 24 AUG	SU 01 SEP	2850
			SA 31 AUG	SU 08 SEP	2795
SA 01 JUN	SU 09 JUN	2850	SA 07 SEP	SU 15 SEP	2795
SA 08 JUN	SU 16 JUN	2850	SA 14 SEP	SU 22 SEP	2795
SA 15 JUN	SU 23 JUN	2850	SA 21 SEP	SU 29 SEP	2795
SA 22 JUN	SU 30 JUN	2850	SA 28 SEP	SU 06 OCT	2795
SA 29 JUN	SU 07 JUL	2850			
			SA 05 OCT	SU 13 OCT	2795
SA 06 JUL	SU 14 JUL	2850	SA 12 OCT	SU 20 OCT	2795

Single Supplement (add to price above): US\$750 p.p.

▲ 14 July 2019 is Bastille Day in France. Celebrations will be taking place throughout Paris.



EARLY BIRD SAVINGS

SAVE up to **US\$285** p.p.

★ Young traveller discount: **SAVE US\$280**

★ Multiple trip discount: **SAVE up to US\$71**

★ Triple room discount: **SAVE US\$70** p.p.

★ Past guests: **Unlock VIP benefits**

TRIP Highlights

Here's just a sample of the many special handcrafted Trafalgar highlights included in your trip.

CONNECT WITH LOCALS



Delicious Provençal home cooking is the perfect accompaniment to a fascinating Be My Guest dinner enjoyed on the banks of the Sorgue with Poppy Salinger, who will regale you with stories of her famous husband. **(Day 7)**

MORE ABOUT YOUR Trip

* All prices are per person, twin share.

Airport transfers: On arrival at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport transfers will operate at 8am, 11am and 2pm. Guests arriving later should make their own way to the hotel. Return transfers on the last travel day will arrive at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport at 8am and 11.30am.

Gratuities: Option to pre-pay gratuities for Travel Director and Driver, US\$88 per person.

TRIP CODE: FWF0

WR Welcome Reception **L** Lunch
BB Buffet Breakfast **D** Dinner
FB Full Breakfast **RM** Regional Meal

DW Dinner With Wine
FD Farewell Dinner

🍷 Dive Into Culture
👤 Stays With Stories
🤝 Connect With Locals