France: Bon Voyage!

August 26 – September 4, 2027

Pricing and Final Itinerary Coming Soon

Single Supplement Applies

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DAY 1: Evening departure U.S. to Paris, France (3 nights in Paris)

DAY 2: Morning Arrival, Guided Tour of Notre Dame, the Île de la Cité and île Saint Louis

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Arrive in Paris. You will be welcomed to this enchanting and historic city and transferred to our elegant boutique hotel. Once you are settled, you will begin your journey with a private tour of the iconic Notre Dame, where you can admire the incredible restoration efforts that have brought this masterpiece back to life.

Marvel at the intricate details of its façade and the breathtaking views from its tower. Afterward, wander through the historic Île de la Cité, the very center of Paris, where you can discover the rich history and stunning architecture that define this island. Continue your adventure by crossing over to the Île Saint-Louis, a peaceful oasis known for its quaint streets and charming boutiques.

Overnight at 4-star hotel in the Latin Quarter (Breakfast included)

DAY 3: Champs-Elysées and Musée de l'Orangerie

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Stroll the Champs-Elysées

On the other side of Place de la Concorde are the Champs- Elysées: one of the world's most famous avenues, a huge tree-lined boulevard with some of the best shopping and dining in the city as well as beautiful architecture. Enjoy window shopping as we walk along this historic avenue.

Musée de l'Orangerie
We'll visit the Musée de l'Orangerie, a peaceful gem tucked into the Tuileries Garden. Inside, you'll step into Monet's oval rooms, where his Water Lilies surround you in soft light and shifting color—it's like walking into a painting. Then we'll explore works by Renoir, Cézanne, Modigliani, and Picasso, all part of a beautifully curated collection that traces the rise of modern art. It's a relaxed, inspiring stop that offers a quieter, more intimate look at Paris's artistic soul.

Quartier Latin - Free Time for Shopping
Wander through the Quartier Latin's cobbled streets, where student life, old bookshops, and lively cafés create a timeless Parisian rhythm. From the steps of the Panthéon to the banks of the Seine, every turn reveals a new layer of charm. It's the perfect neighborhood for a relaxed, story-filled stroll

Evening

L'AURA at Les Invalides is a 50-minute nighttime light and sound show inside the Dôme des Invalides. Using video mapping, music, and lighting effects, it highlights the architecture and history of this iconic monument, including Napoleon's tomb. The experience runs in the evening with timed entries and offers a unique, modern way to explore one of Paris's most historic sites.

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DAY 4: Antique Car Drive, Opera Garnier and Seine River Dinner Cruise

Paris Tour in a Vintage Citroën 2CV: A one-of-a-kind journey through Paris in our charming vintage Citroën 2CV — the quintessential French icon. With its cheerful engine and unmistakable silhouette, our 2CV turns every street into a storybook scene.

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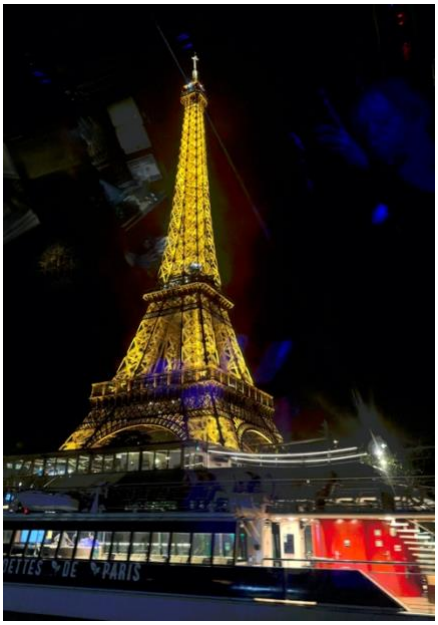
Opera Garnier Highlights Private Guided Tour
In this two-hour tour, you will learn about history, Opera and Ballet. The Palais Garnier, an architectural masterpiece inaugurated in 1875 at the request of Napoleon III, is without doubt one of the most dazzling monuments in Paris. A world of elegance, not to be missed! To visit the Palais Garnier is to enter a realm of pomp and refinement in which the poetry, audacity and genius of Charles Garnier have managed to create a unique harmony between the sculpture, painting and architecture. A showcase for dance and opera, the building dazzles with its balconies in onyx, its luxurious marble, its delicate frescoes and its rich gilding. A real gem in the heart of Paris. From the monumental staircase to the majestic Grand Salon, each room of the Palais Garnier is full of elegant details that compose a magical decor. An architectural symphony, created by using several styles. And an architectural 'first' at the time, it was to inspire other buildings, making it an exceptional monument! Along with your guide, you will discover the entire Opera Garnier: the salons, the library, the showroom, the terrace and more.

Dinner cruise on the Seine River
Wrap up Paris and see the City of Lights as it was meant to be seen. At dusk, Paris transforms into a glittering light show. Climb aboard a boat for a dinner cruise along the Seine river in central Paris, and enjoy a 3-course meal as you take in views of the lit monuments. The entirely glassed-in boat is of a contemporary design, with onboard toilets for your comfort. See the historic quays of the Seine and cruise past the golden dome of Les Invalides. Marvel at the impressive buildings of the French Parliament and the Musée d'Orsay, the former Beaux-Arts railway station, and of course the sparkling Eiffel Tower. Get up close to the Gothic façade of Notre Dame Cathedral, see the imposing former prison of the Conciergerie and cruise under some of the city's most historic bridges.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DAY 5: DEPART Train TGV, Paris to Avignon (5 nights in Avignon)

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Depending on train departure, we will have breakfast at the ionic restaurant Le Train Bleu which is located inside Le Gare de Lyon train station.

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Embark on an exciting journey aboard one of France's most impressive feats of engineering—the TGV, or Train à Grande Vitesse to Avignon. Enjoy first-class seating as this high-speed train will whisk us across the beautiful French countryside with efficiency and comfort.
Approximately 2 hours and 40 min.

Welcome to Avignon: Avignon Private Walking Tour

Explore Avignon's most charming corners and unmissable attractions on this 3-hour private walking tour. You'll learn about the Papal city's fascinating history. Enjoy vistas over the Rhône River Valley, wind through the cobblestone streets and past the medieval ramparts, and visit the vibrant Place de l'Horloge.
Overnight at 4-star hotel in Avignon (Breakfast included)

DAY 6: Arles & The Moulin de Bédarrides with Olive Oil Experience

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Visit Arles With a Guide

Discover the enchanting city of Arles with a half-day guided tour that unveils its rich history and cultural heritage. Recognized by UNESCO for its Roman and Romanesque monuments, Arles boasts impressive sites like the ancient amphitheater and theater. As you stroll through its picturesque streets, you'll learn about the vibrant art scene that inspired Vincent van Gogh, who completed over 300 works during his prolific stay here. Your knowledgeable guide will provide insights into the city's traditions and its role as a gateway to the Camargue, an area celebrated for its exceptional biodiversity and protected as a World Biosphere Reserve. To the north lies the Alpilles Regional Nature Park, home to diverse wildlife and Mediterranean forests. This tour offers a memorable journey through one of Provence's most captivating destinations, where history, art, and nature converge beautifully. Enjoy a delicious provincial lunch in Arles!
Moulin de Bédarrides: Nestled in the heart of Provence, the Moulin de Bédarrides offers an immersive olive oil tour that blends tradition, taste, and terroir. Visitors explore centuries-old groves, learn about the art of olive oil extraction, and sample award-winning oils and tapenades in a charming family-run mill. It's a sensory journey through Provençal heritage—perfect for those seeking authenticity and flavor

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DAY 7: L'ile sur Sorgues

L'ile sur Sorgues : L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue is a charming Provençal town where canals weave through cobbled streets, antique shops overflow with treasures, and riverside cafés invite you to linger. Known as the "Venice of Provence," it's a perfect blend of natural beauty and cultural flair—ideal for a relaxed day of strolling, browsing, and soaking in the ambiance

Private cruise from Cassis to Les Calanques

The magnificent Calanque of the Mediterranean coast is an incredible series of white limestone rocks with deep valleys which are the beautiful setting for colorful fishing villages, intense creeks, turquoise water, and a unique ecosystem.

On this cruise tour, you can sail along the splendid coastline of Calanques admiring the natural scenery and catching glimpses of sea birds, fish, and other marine mammals from the comfort of your cruise. You will have a chance to admire the rugged limestone cliffs, coves, lush vegetation, and iconic landmarks. It will be a unique experience and a refreshing unforgettable tour.

Enjoy a private wine tasting in the village of Cassis

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DAY 8: Free morning in Avignon – Palais de Papes tour in the afternoon

Make the most of your free morning with an activity of your choice.

Suggestion : Pont Benezet
The Saint Bénezet bridge, also known as Pont d'Avignon, is a true feat of engineering, and is continually being worked on and repaired. Built from the 12th century, the bridge originally spanned approximately 900 meters and had 22 arches. It was dismantled in 1226, then rebuilt. It was later washed away several times by flood waters and rebuilt until it was abandoned in the 17th century. Today, all that remains are four arches and a chapel dedicated to Saint Nicolas. It is now classified as World Heritage by UNESCO.

Stroll the boutique-lined streets and vibrant squares, dine in some excellent restaurants and see the impressive medieval wall that encircles the old city.

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Afternoon Guided Tour of the Palais des Papes

The main attraction in Avignon is another of Provence's UNESCO World Heritage Sites, the **Palais des Papes.** It's one of the largest medieval Gothic buildings in Europe, former home to nine successive popes during the 14th century.

It took less than 20 years to build this immense religious structure with imposing walls and four impressive towers. Tours take visitors through 25 rooms. Must-see rooms include the Consistoire (Audience Room), the Grande Chapelle (Great Chapel), the Grand Tinel (Banquet Hall), and the private papal apartments. The views from the towers are the most sublime place to take in the city, the Rhône River and the famous Pont d'Avignon (Pont Saint-Bénézet).

The Pont d'Avignon is a testament to the exciting history of the capital of Vaucluse. Built between 1177 and 1185, the Saint-Bénezet Bridge, known as the "Pont d'Avignon," once connected Avignon with Villeneuve-les-Avignon. After extensive repeated damage from war and flooding, only four of the original 22 arches remain today. When it was built it was the only link over the Rhone River between Lyon and the Mediterranean Sea.

Sample the Papalines d'Avignon, chocolate specialties made with aromatic oregano liqueur from Mont Ventoux. They are handmade and only sold by shops affiliated with the Vaucluse master confectioners. Five tons are sold each year! The asparagus is worth trying too during the spring season. It's widely celebrated in Avignon - nearly every menu in town has fresh asparagus soup, roasted green asparagus, or the white variety lightly sautéed and served with sauce.

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The best buys are to be found in the city's fantastic array of funky little designer and craft boutiques, and its small but select range of shops offering fine regional food and drink specialties.

These are mainly found in the part of town between the Tourist Office at 41 cours Jean Jaurès and the gourmet Les Halles food market on place Pie. A number of these narrow alleys have been recently pedestrianised, and now this part of Avignon is really pleasant to stroll around.

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DAY 9: Lourmarin

Lourmarin Market Day - Set under the plane trees along Boulevard du Rayol and Place Henri Barthélémy, this lively Provençal market features around 80 stalls offering everything from fresh produce and cheeses to clothing, crafts, and olive wood goods. It's a vibrant weekly event that draws locals and visitors alike for shopping, strolling, and soaking in the village atmosphere.

Drive through & See Villages – Cucuron

DAY 10: DEPART Marseille Airport to U.S.

INCLUDED IN TOUR PRICE

- Transportation in Provence
- Train from Paris to Avignon First Class
- Breakfast and Accommodation at 4 or 5* hotels as per itinerary
- Dinner Cruise on the Seine
- Wine Tasting in Cassis
- Private Cruise from Cassis to Les Calanques
- Paris Tour in a Vintage Citroën 2CV
- Opera Garnier Highlights Private Guided Tour
- L'AURA at Les Invalides Light Show
- Entrance fees and private English-speaking tour guides

EXCLUSIONS

- International Flights booked separately. Please call for quote.
- Customary end-of-tour gratuities for guides and drivers
- All Meals, except dinner cruise on the Seine
- Taxi cabs in Paris

Itinerary subject to change – please keep in mind that your tour may vary, depending upon availabilities, weather, etc.

Rates based on Double Occupancy
Single Supplement Applies
Subject to Availability
All Prices subject to change

Embark on an extraordinary journey led by *Sunny Reynolds*, an experienced tour guide sharing the wonders of the world with travelers since 1992. Accompanying Sunny are David and Kate Lallement. David, born in Dijon and now residing in the US, is a wine distributor who deals in top-notch French and Italian wines. Kate holds degrees in marketing and art education. She swapped Virginia for France, where she lived and worked for several years. Together, they bring a wealth of expertise and passion to your travel experience.