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## **PARIS EXPLORER WITH BURGUNDY & PROVENCE RIVER CRUISE**

***Departing 09 June 2019***

*This 20-day luxury tour will immerse you in everything french as you discover the highlights of Paris before embarking on a 11-day River Cruise through some of France's most picturesque regions.*

### **SUNDAY 09 JUNE – AUSTRALIA – DUBAI**

Your holiday begins today! Join your escort, Therese, and your fellow travellers at Adelaide International Airport ready for your flight to Dubai in the United Arab Emirates. (D)

### **MONDAY 10 JUNE – DUBAI**

Upon arrival in Dubai you will be transferred to your 24 hour check in hotel in Dubai where you freshen up and relax. This afternoon you will experience a Dubai city tour giving you a better understanding for this amazing and ever-changing city. See the tallest building in the world, take a ride across Dubai creek and visit the many gold and spice souks.



### **TUESDAY 11 JUNE – DUBAI**

Today you will visit the Dubai cultural centre. Located in a restored wind tower house this tour gives you the opportunity to learn all about customs and cultures of the United Arab Emirates. Included in this tour is a hosted traditional Bedouin lunch. This evening tour includes all the foods of the UAE accompanied by traditional music and dance, arts and crafts and even Henna Tattoos! (B,L,D)

### **WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE – DUBAI – PARIS**

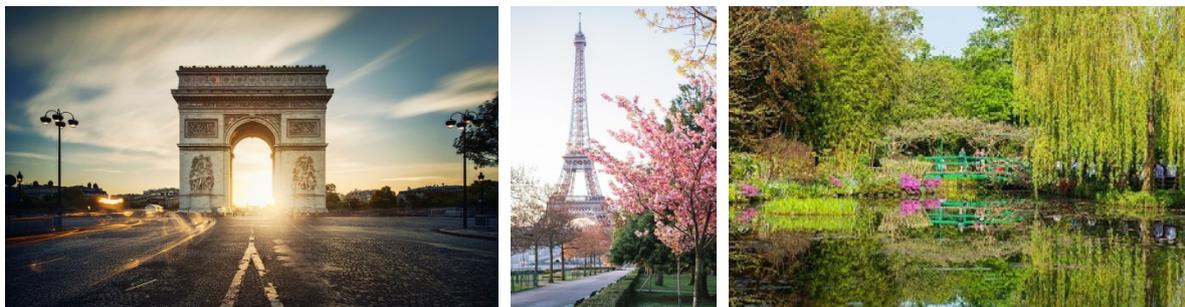
After checking out of our hotel this morning, you will be transferred to Dubai International Airport before taking a short 6 hour flight to Paris. Upon arrival you will be transferred to your Paris hotel and enjoy the remainder of the evening at leisure. (B, L)

### **THURSDAY 13 JUNE – PARIS**

After an early breakfast this morning you will set off on a full day Australian Battlefields tour to Villers Bretonneux, Peronne and Pozieres. This historical tour takes you to the Franco Australian Museum, the Australia Memorial, the historical De La Grande Guerre and the Memorial and Cemetery of the 1<sup>st</sup> Australian Division. (B, L)

### **FRIDAY 14 JUNE – PARIS**

Enjoy a free day in Paris to explore this magical city at your own pace. (B)



### **SATURDAY 15 JUNE – PARIS**

Today you will enjoy a full day tour to Giverny to visit Fondation Monet. The House and Garden have been recognised as a "Maison des Illustres" and "Jardin remarquable" rewarding their outstanding qualities. The estate was classified as a Monument historique in 1976. Claude Monet lived and painted in Giverny from 1883 to his death in 1926, and directed the renovation of the house, retaining its pink-painted walls. Colours from the painter's own palette were used for the interior -green for the doors and shutters, yellow in the dining room, complete with Japanese Prints from the 18th and 19th centuries, and blue for the kitchen. Monet had the nearby river Epte partially diverted for the gardens and hired up to seven gardeners to tend to it. Monet gained much of his inspiration from his gardens and believed it was important to surround himself with nature and paint outdoors. (B, L)

### **SUNDAY 16 JUNE – PARIS**

This morning is all about taste and smell as you embark on a gourmet tour of Paris. This tour takes you around the historical Latin Quarter, famous for its many specialty foods. (B)

### **MONDAY 17 JUNE - PARIS**

Known as one of the world's most passionate and lively cities, Paris delights the senses. Your included CITY SIGHTSEEING shows you magnificent must-see sights, such as Notre Dame Cathedral, the unique Louvre Museum with its glass pyramid as a contrast to its ancient architecture, the commemorative Arc de Triomphe, and the Eiffel Tower. In your free time, stroll down the Champs-Élysées with its lavish cafés, or perhaps visit the world-famous Louvre museum or Montmartre with its gleaming white Sacré Coeur Basilica and bevy of artists on Place du Tertre. (B)

### **TUESDAY 18 JUNE - PARIS–DIJON–BEAUNE–ST. JEAN DE LOSNE (EMBARKATION)–SEURRE**

This morning, board the TGV train to Dijon and from there, drive to Beaune, the unofficial capital of the Côte d'Or area. Beaune owes its wealth to the production, aging, and selling of

fine wines. Although life here centers around wine, Beaune offers much more. Visit the HÔTEL-DIEU charity hospital, built in 1443 and paid for by the chancellor of Burgundy after the Hundred Years' War left many of the town's population destitute. Today it houses Van der Weyden's painting of The Last Judgment and is one of France's architectural highlights. Then, continue to St. Jean de Losne, where you'll board your river cruise vessel. Before dinner, meet your crew at a welcome reception as your ship departs for Seurre. (B, D)

### **WEDNESDAY 19 JUNE - SEURRE-MACON**

Enjoy some leisurely cruising this morning. In the afternoon, you might choose to participate in an optional excursion, such as to a Chardonnay wine cellar, before your ship arrives in Mâcon. In the late afternoon, enjoy an ONBOARD CHEESE TASTING. (B, L, D)



### **THURSDAY 20 JUNE - LYON**

Lyon, France's third-largest city and its gastronomic capital, was founded by the Romans in 43 BC. The city's prosperity dates back to the 16th century and is due to commercial, industrial, and banking activities. Roman remains, excellent museums, and renaissance architecture delight visitors. A LOCAL GUIDE joins you as you survey the city from Fourvière Hill and explore the Old Town with its maze of medieval alleyways, and Place des Terreaux, a popular area with lively cafés, monuments, and the famous fountain often depicted on postcards. (B, L, D)

### **FRIDAY 21 JUNE - LYON**

Enjoy a free day in this fascinating city to explore at leisure. Early risers might like to visit the local produce market. Perhaps wander through one of Lyon's parks, discover some of the murals (there are over 100), or select one of the available optional excursions. Be sure to taste the gastronomic delights and sample Beaujolais, the wine of the region; wine connoisseurs know that the grapes must be hand-picked. Your Cruise Director will have plenty of suggestions for things to do. (B, L, D)

### **SATURDAY 22 JUNE - TOURNON/TAIN L'HERMITAGE-VIVIERS**

The twin cities of Tournon and Tain l'Hermitage lie nestled among vineyards between the Rhône River and the granite slopes of the Hermitage. A LOCAL GUIDE will show you Tournon, one of France's oldest medieval cities, with its imposing 16th-century castle and Roman ruins. Arriving in Viviers in the afternoon, a GUIDED WALK shows you this charming town that developed around its ROMANESQUE CATHEDRAL. The OLD TOWN has an appealing mix of Christian, Roman, and medieval influences. (B, L, D)

### **SUNDAY 23 JUNE - AVIGNON**

The fortified city of Avignon is the capital of the Vaucluse region, the most picturesque part of Provence with its intact ramparts encircling the entire city, cobblestone streets and squares, and private mansions built in the 18th and 19th centuries. Known as the "City of Popes," it was the center of the Catholic Church in the 14th century. During your GUIDED TOUR you may choose to join an included visit of the PALACE OF THE POPES, built in the 14th century as the sovereign popes' residence. A photo of the famous Pont Saint Bénézet

(Saint Bénézet Bridge), of the popular song Sur le Pont d'Avignon, is a must. Optional outings to Pont du Gard or to the famed wine cellars of Châteauneuf-du-Pape are available. **(B,L, D)**



### **MONDAY 24 JUNE - ARLES**

This morning, wake up early to the tranquil vistas of Camargue National Park (daylight permitting) before arriving in Arles after breakfast. Located on the northern tip of the Camargue, Arles is capital of the Provence region. Your LOCAL GUIDE will show you highlights of the city and you'll visit the ROMAN AMPHITHEATER. Still used today, it dates to the 1st century and was constructed to hold more than 20,000 spectators. (B, L, D)

### **TUESDAY 25 JUNE – ARLES (DISEMBARKATION)–CÔTE D'AZUR**

After breakfast, a comfortable motorcoach ride takes you to the Côte d'Azur for a last night in France. Also known as the French Riviera, the Côte d'Azur stretches along France's Mediterranean coast from Toulon to the Italian border, and is synonymous with prestige and beauty. (B)

### **WEDNESDAY 26 JUNE – CÔTE D'AZUR**

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (B)

### **CÔTE D'AZUR – DUBAI – AUSTRALIA**

### **THURSDAY 27 JUNE**

Arrive Australia

#### **INCLUDED:**

Tour Escort \*subject to 10 pax travelling  
Return economy airfares with Emirates including taxes  
3 Day 'Discover Dubai' Package  
4 Day 'Essential Paris' Package  
11 Day Avalon Luxury River Cruise  
All accommodation, dining and touring as per itinerary  
Comprehensive Travel Insurance (< 69yrs \*age and medical loadings may apply)  
All gratuities  
All applicable taxes and charges

#### **NOT INCLUDED:**

Any meals not specified on the itinerary  
Optional tours/excursions  
Any expenses of a personal nature such as drinks, laundry, phone calls, souvenirs.

**TOUR COST:**

\$13,995.00 per person twin share

\$4,995.00 single traveller supplement \*subject to availability

**A deposit of \$3,000.00 per person is required at time of booking to secure your seat**

Final payment is due on or before Tuesday 5th March, 2019

**Payments can be made by cash, cheque, credit card (1.5% surcharge) or direct deposit into our bank account: Naracoorte Travel n Cruise, BSB 065 506, a/c 1009 8937, name as a reference**

**ABOUT YOUR ESCORT:**

Therese has successfully led many groups in her time with Naracoorte Travel n Cruise to varied destinations including China, Vietnam, Burma Luxury River Cruise, Norfolk Island and Darwin & The Ghan Expedition, all with rave reviews:

*"Thank you for a wonderful trip. I just loved the daily excursions and of course all the food. So lucky to have lovely travelling*

*companions. Thank you so much."*

*'Thank you so much for organising this fabulous holiday, we have had a ball. A fantastic tour guide and group of people to go with and lots of wonderful memories.'*

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