



OUR HOTEL IN THE LOIRE VALLEY

OUR ROYAL JOURNEY TO PARIS, VERSAILLES + CHATEAUX COUNTRY.

Price: \$3299 land only until Dec 15 then \$3399. Deposit: \$600

Single Supplement \$640 BOOK EARLY Ask for a guaranteed share until 1/1/2020

This trip includes one of the magnificent chateau hotels in the Loire Valley, two meals daily, expert guides+ tour manager to assist you. Touring is comprehensive and we add our personal Paris Tips in your final documents. In Paris we base ourselves at the Crowne Plaza Republique, a newly renovated central 4 star hotel. The 4 star rating comes from Tripadvisor, Expedia, Booking.com and Trivago.com. The area has many restaurants, bakeries and a convenient Metro stop. Our hotel has a fitness center, wifi, restaurant, lounge, and terrace. In the Loire Valley we stay royally at Chateau de Chissay, a luxury castle hotel pictured above.

Day 1 May 6, 2020 Depart North America.

Our Paris and royal chateaux adventure begins with overnight flights to Paris.

Day 2 May 7 Arrive Paris [Dinner-all dinners include wine]

For centuries, Paris has been one of the world's most important cities and one of the most beautiful. Paris is the capital of France, and of cuisine, art, fashion, and beauty. Our staff meets us at CDG Airport and takes us to our hotel. Our transfer leaves at 1PM. Taxis are also available- 50 Euros flat fee. Welcome drinks + orientation with our full time Tour Manager. Welcome dinner. Below is the walkable Place de la Republique where we stay.



Day 3 Paris (B L)

Enjoy a guided city tour by private bus. See the Eiffel Tower, Champs Elysees, Arc de Triomphe, Place de la Concorde, Latin Quarter, Pantheon, Place Vendome, and Paris Opera. After light lunch, uncover Paris' colorful history on a walking tour of the charming Left Bank. With our guide, learn the events and characters of this quaint neighborhood. Pass centuries-old universities, sprawling cemeteries and iconic sites like Notre Dame Cathedral and the Cluny Museum. From the Pantheon to the immaculate Luxembourg Gardens, discover how people, art and cultural revolution shaped the City of Light. Tour ends at our hotel. *If you wish to stay on the Left Bank, the shopping is fabulous for both food gifts and clothing. A low Euro makes Paris affordable again; our final documents will include some of the WTG's favorite Paris shops, tips and stops.*

Day 4 Paris (B L)

After breakfast enjoy our half day tour of the Louvre a former royal

palace. See the world-class treasures and follow our expert guide for highlights including the 'Mona Lisa,' 'Venus de Milo' and 'Winged Victory of Samothrace. Learn backstories of these artistic masterpieces and those of less-known art and architectural details along the way. Restaurant lunch near the museum.

Optionally at 3PM, you can attend a 30 minute fashion show at Galeries Lafayette held every Friday in this magnificent 19th century department store. It is walkable from the Louvre area. You will see the latest 'it' clothing. Tickets are sold on their website <https://hausmann.galerieslafayette.com/en/events/original-fashion-shows/>

Day 5 Paris/Versailles/ Loire Valley [B D]

After breakfast leave for Versailles to visit the Palace, gardens and brilliant hall of mirrors, galleries, salons, and royal apartments, all lavishly decorated. Here a specialist guide will accompany us. The magnificent fountains, supplied by 100 miles of pipes, spray fountains forcefully. Explore the palace and grounds at our own pace. Then enjoy an included lunch. Transfer to our chateau hotel below, in Loire Valley area. Dinner included at the hotel.





Day 6 Chateau de Chambord/Chateau de Chenonceau/Wine Tasting [B D]

Today visit Chateau de Chambord, crown jewel and emblem of the Renaissance. Originally a weekend hunting lodge for King Francois I in the 16th century, the Chateau evolved into the most expensive (and excessive) architectural project by a king. Continue to Chateau de Chenonceau, 2nd most visited chateau, adjacent to the beautiful River Cher. Enjoy a delicious wine tasting at magnificent Caves du Pere Auguste winery. Return to our hotel. Dinner included at the hotel.

Day 7 Loire Valley/Paris [B D]

After breakfast, travel back to Paris. Our documents will include suggestions for this last afternoon in Paris. Tonight enjoy dinner at a popular Parisian restaurant in Montmartre.

Day 8 Paris/USA [B]

After breakfast transfer to the airport. Shared taxis to the airport. Additional nights at our hotel vary, ask for a price including breakfast/ taxes per room not per person. Availability must be confirmed.

Trip includes

Hotels as above with full breakfast, and taxes

Meals as above with taxes/ tips; dinners with a glass of wine.

Lunches include coffee and tea.

Accompaniment by tour manager, with tours by local experts

Porterage of one bag in/out of hotels

Airport transfer inbound 1PM from Charles De Gaulle Airport CDG

All tours and entrance fees listed above with headsets in Paris

French hotel taxes

Room shares arranged first come first served-guaranteed if booked by 1/1/2020.

Not included

Tips to guides and drivers, personal items anything not listed on the above. We supply complete fair tipping guidelines.