

OUR ROYAL JOURNEY TO PARIS, VERSAILLES + CHATEAUX COUNTRY MAY 2022.

Price: \$3599 until July 15 then \$3699. Deposit: \$500 Single Supplement \$750 Limited Single Rooms Available.

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 into 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, 2022 Depart North America.

Our Paris and royal chateaux adventure begins with overnight flights to Paris. Ask us to recommend a flight expert! You will receive a list of others arriving and all flights. Or if you wish to book a pre tour night, please ask us.

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

For centuries, Paris has been 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 at **1PM** and takes us to our hotel. If you arrive early and wish to share taxis, we are happy to send you the list of others doing the same. Taxis are also available- 50 Euros flat fee. Welcome drinks + orientation with our full time Tour Manager. Welcome dinner with walking transfer to our vintage restaurant. Below is the walkable Place de la Republique where we stay.

Day 3 Paris May 8 (B L)

Enjoy our 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 remain on the Left Bank, shopping is fabulous for gifts, street markets and clothing. A low Euro makes Paris affordable; our final documents include WTG's favorite Paris shops, tips and stops.

Day 4 May 9 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. Tour ends at



hotel.

our hotel. Or again stay on in for a walk along the Seine, towards the Right Bank Blvd. Haussmann and its 19century department stores and Opera House.

Day 5 May 10 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. Transfer to our chateau hotel (see photo), in Loire Valley. Dinner included at the

Day 6 May 11 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 May 12 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 May 13 Paris/USA [B] After breakfast transfer to the airport on own. Your list of group flights will make it easy to share the cost optionally. Additional nights \$370 per room includes breakfast and taxes. Availability to be confirmed.

Trip includes

Hotels as above or similar, 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 to hotel

All tours and entrance fees listed above with headsets in Paris

French hotel taxes

Room shares arranged first come first served

Not included

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

Rooms for extra nights, subject to availability. Cost Per Room in Paris hotel: \$370 includes breakfast and taxes.