



A CULINARY TOUR OF

SOUTHERN FRANCE

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the house

OCTOBER 18-25, 2020*
7 NIGHTS

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Day 1

Welcome to beautiful Provence! On your arrival either by the fast speed train (TGV) from Paris or the plane, you will be met by your guide and driver. Board your private coach from the station/airport to your charming 4* hotel in the center of Aix-en-Provence. Upon arrival you will be offered a cocktail as a light dinner, nice moment to go over the program of the week with your guide. Overnight in Aix-en-Provence.

Day 2

Enjoy a typical French breakfast of café and pastries and meet your guide in the lobby of your hotel. Immerse yourself in the Provençal way of life by wandering round the narrow and picturesque streets of Aix. You will stroll through the food and flower market, have a taste as you go along, and follow the footsteps of the famous painter Cézanne to the beautiful Town Hall, Cathedral, past the many fountains and up the famous Cours Mirabeau. Enjoy lunch at leisure on one of the many terraces, surrounded by a cheerful and relaxed atmosphere. Go for a guided visit to the Atelier Cézanne, workshop where the famous painter spent most of his time creating his renowned works of art. Then, enjoy an afternoon and dinner at leisure and notice the change of atmosphere as the yellow city lights intensify the beautiful "aixoise" architecture. Overnight in Aix-en-Provence.

Day 3

Breakfast at your hotel before meeting your guide and driver and heading off to one of the most beautiful domains of the region. The owner will take you on a fabulous journey to the oak truffle forest where you will learn about all the secrets of truffle hunting. On the walk back discover the vineyard and the various grapes of the property of which you will taste the delicious wine. Back at the domain, you will enjoy a cooking class with a Chef where you will learn mouth-watering truffle recipes (which you will take back home to impress your family and friends). Savor your own delightful creations. Afternoon and dinner at leisure in Aix-en-Provence. Overnight in Aix-en-Provence.



Day 4

After breakfast, meet your Chef in the lobby. The Chef will take you on a Gourmet tour round the traditional fruit and vegetable market in the beautiful historical center of Aix-en-Provence. Stroll through the colorful stands and take in the smells and sounds of the French art-de-vivre. Taste as you go along and watch how your Chef carefully picks and chooses the best seasonal products for your healthy and tasty cooking class. The Chef will welcome you to his kitchen where he will give you guidelines to prepare your best Provençal lunch ever! Short walk back to your hotel. Afternoon and dinner at leisure in Aix-en-Provence. Overnight in Aix-en-Provence.



Day 5

After breakfast, meet your guide in the lobby. This morning, head to Saint Rémy de Provence (approx. 1 hr drive). In the lovely provençal countryside, meet the owners of an authentic cheese farm. Listen to their stories about their daily life. This is also a great chance to taste and learn about all the different cheeses and products of the farm. Enjoy a convivial lunch at the farm. After lunch, your guide will take you on a visit to St-Paul de Mausole where the post-Impressionist artist Van Gogh spent the last years of his life. Our next stop today, is the visit of a famous Chocolate factory near Aix-en-Provence which is the opportunity to learn all the secrets of sensual French chocolate. This chocolate making workshop will titillate your senses! Since it was founded in 1967, the Chocolate factory has established itself as a major player and undisputed market leader in the world of hand-made chocolate. Never seduced by the lure of mechanization, the Chocolate factory boasts a wealth of expertise and creativity and is driven by a genuine passion for high-quality workmanship and the finest raw materials. This is why it was the first food company to be awarded the Entreprise du Patrimoine Vivant (Living Heritage Company) label in 2005. Welcome introduction to Maitre Chocolatier Michel Panariello. Return to your hotel in Aix-en-Provence. Dinner at leisure and overnight in Aix-en-Provence

Day 6

After breakfast at your hotel, meet your guide in the lobby. This morning, we head to Avignon, a magnificent medieval city dominated by the impressive Popes' Palace. After this morning visit enjoy lunch in a local restaurant in Avignon. To finish the day there's nothing better than a visit to an artisanal distillery close to Avignon where you will meet the owners and discover and taste their exquisite fruit liquor. Return to your hotel in Aix-en-Provence where you can rest and enjoy dinner at leisure. Overnight in Aix-en-Provence.



Day 7

After breakfast meet your guide in the lobby. For your last day, head to a famous Chateau and admire the beauty of the site enhanced by numerous pieces of world-famous artists, such as Tadao Ando, Jean Nouville, Bourgeois, etc. Enjoy a wine tasting after the visit of the amazing cellar designed by Jean Nouville. Head back to Aix-en-Provence for lunch at leisure. Back in Aix-en-Provence take the time to take a last stroll through the lively streets and take advantage of this time for shopping around. To end the week, nothing like a farewell dinner thoughtfully prepared by a renowned Michelin star chef. Enjoy your last night in Aix-en-Provence!

Day 8

After breakfast check out of your hotel. Meet your guide in the lobby. Group transfer to the airport/train station. Bon voyage et à bientôt!

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