

# Day excursions in the Vallée de l'Agly

The valley is divided into two parts, the Fenouillèdes and the Salanque. The Fenouillèdes, an incredible landscape of rolling hills and sharp ridges, is the home of the internationally renowned Maury wines. Nearby, 450,000 year old human remains, some of the oldest in Europe, were discovered in the valley at Tautavel. Along the Mediterranean coast, some beaches have retained their wilderness. Inlets, lagoons and lakes make up this area's rich variety of landscapes, with Catalan fishing boats and quaint fishing houses known as 'barracas' adding to its charm. This is an area known for its fabulous seafood. Don't miss it!

450,000 year old Tautavel Man in the Musée de la Préhistoire de Tautavel



## EXCURSION 1: Perpignan

Enjoy an English-speaking guided tour of old medieval Perpignan, followed by visits to the palace of the Kings of Majorca, the Chapel of Notre-Dame-des-Anges, and the newly-renovated Rigaud Art Museum.

## EXCURSION 2: Optional activities

Have a laid-back relaxing day. Choose between the many

outdoor activities available in the area. You can head to the nearby Spanish border duty-free town of Le Perthus or go a little further to Figueres to visit the Salvador Dali Museum.

## EXCURSION 3: Cucugnan, Duilhac and Maury

Today we head to the northernmost part of the Eastern Pyrenees. Spend the morning visiting the village of Cucugnan and its nearby castle of Quéribus, perched at a height of 718m. Lunch in Maury.

**Workshop:** In the afternoon you'll enjoy a wine tasting at Maury, a town famous for its prized wines.

## EXCURSION 4: Salses-le-Chateau and Narbonne

Morning stop at the Vauban-fortified town of Salses with the option of a one-hour French guided tour. Splendid views of the surrounding lac, Canigou Mountain and the Méditerranée. Head to lunch in Narbonne. In the afternoon, a guided tour of

Narbonne's gothic town, its Archbishop's Palace and the Horem Museum.

## EXCURSION 5: Leucate, Peyriac-de-Mer and Bages

A full day dedicated to the inlets of Leucate, Peyriac de mer and Bages villages. Take a boat trip to see oyster farm production. Seafood lunch on the bay.

## EXCURSION 6: Tautavel, Opoul and Périllos

Discover the treasures of the early prehistoric Homme de Tautavel at the museum of Tautavel. Lunch in Tautavel. Take an afternoon walk to the abandoned village of Opoul with its panoramic view of the valley. Return through the seaside resort of Saint-Cyprien for a swim and dinner at the marina.

1: Caudiès wine festival in Fenouillèdes, 2: Salses-le-Château, 3: The town of Gruissan, famed for its oysters

