

JOIN SUSAN & SANDRA HAMMOND ON A HOSTED JOURNEY THROUGH

FRANCE: Exploring the Rhône and Saône Rivers

BURGUNDY & PROVENCE WITH 2 NIGHTS IN PARIS & 2 NIGHTS IN NICE

12 Day River Cruise | Sailing from Paris to Nice | May 28 - June 8, 2023

Take a delightful river cruise through France along the Rhône and Saône Rivers with guided sightseeing in well-known French treasures and some hidden gems too! This French river cruise adventure begins in style with two overnights in Paris—one of the world's most romantic and vibrant cities!

Take in the beautiful countryside, quaint villages and towns, as you sail through the most captivating views of France. Highlights include: Lyon, France's gastronomic capital, the popular Place des Terreaux with its lively cafés and monuments, and the city of Tournon beautifully nestled among vineyards. Continue your river cruise through France to historical Avignon and see the 14th-century Palace of the Popes—the largest Gothic-style fortress in the world. Enjoy your last two nights in captivating Nice on the French Riviera. Relax along the remarkably blue water of the Mediterranean Sea—a perfect ending to this once-in-a-lifetime European river cruise!

| PRICES FROM: \$6,449 PER PERSON | |
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| Cabin | Rate |
| Deluxe Stateroom (D - Deck 1) | \$6,449 |
| Panorama Suite (B - Deck 2 AFT) | \$7,599 |
| Panorama Suite (A - Deck 2 MID) | \$7,649 |
| Panorama Suite (P - Deck 3) | \$7,799 |

Note: Above pricing reflects \$950 per person Savings (must book and deposit by November 29, 2022). Insurance and Air Fare are NOT included in price. **Final payment is due on February 27, 2023.**

THE AVALON EXPERIENCE

- 7 Night Sailing in a cabin of your choice with River Views
- · Breakfast, lunch, and dinner on board daily
- Complimentary sparkling wine with breakfast; wine, beer, or soft drinks with lunch and dinner are included daily on board
- 2 Pre-Night stay in Paris (breakfast included)
- 2 Post-Night stay in Nice (breakfast included)
- Expert Cruise Director and friendly English speaking Crew
- Spacious outside deluxe accommodations with enhanced soundproofing, English language TV channels with 100+ free movie
- Premium personal amenities, including L'Occitane® bath products
- Avalon ChoiceSM with your preference of Classic, Active, or Discovery included excursions and sightseeing with Certified, Experienced Local Guides; and MyAvalonSM Guided Optional Excursions
- AvalonGO mobile app with itinerary information before and during your cruise, including schedules, transfer details, daily itineraries, GPS, and dining and entertainment options—and social media feature for real-time posts
- Complimentary Wi-Fi and water stations available on ship
- $\bullet \quad \textbf{Sky Deck shade system} \ \& \ \text{premium lounge chairs, whirlpool} \\$
- Covered Observation Lounge
- Elevator & Panoramic windows throughout the ship
- Club Lounge with 24-hour self-serve beverage station with complimentary premium coffee, lattes, hot chocolate, tea; cookies throughout the day
- Adventure Center with Avalon Adventure Host assistance, active gear, bicycles, and fitness class information
- · Non-smoking interior
- ALL PORT CHARGES & TAXES PLUS ALL TIPS ARE INCLUDED

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS RIVER CRUISE, PLEASE CONTACT:



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DAY 1 | PARIS, FRANCE. Bienvenue en France!

Take free time today to fall in love with the world's most romantic city. Get inspired by its architectural icons, exquisite cuisine, chic boutiques, and priceless artistic treasures.

DAY 2 | PARIS. Cafés, Cathedrals and Canvases in the city of Light

CLASSIC: Join a Guided City Tour that shows the iconic sites of Paris, such as the Louvre Museum, the Arc de Triomphe, the Eiffel Tower, Opéra Garnier, and the famous Champs-Élysées. Spend your free time strolling through the Champs-Élysées for café au lait and croissants, see the exhibits at the Louvre, or visit Montmartre's Basilica of the Sacré Coeur. Consider browsing Paris' classic shopping avenues and literary cafés for a true Parisian experience, or have your portrait sketched by a Parisian artist in the square at Place du Tertre. (B)

DAY 3 | DIJON-BEAUNE-ST. JEAN DE LOSNE (EMBARKATION).

Take a High-Speed Train from Paris to Dijon, to drive on to Beaune.

CLASSIC: Visit the Hôtel-Dieu Charity Hospital in Beaune, built in 1443, today home of the Van der Weyden's painting of the Last Judgment and one of France's architectural highlights. This afternoon, travel to St. Jean de Losne to board your Suite Ship®.

OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO MÂCON. (B,D)

DAY 4 | MÂCON. Wine and Cheese on the Stunning Saône

Visit the Adventure Center for today's activities with your Adventure Host. Enjoy leisurely cruising en route to Mâcon along the majestic Saône River. Consider a Guided Optional Excursion to a Chardonnay wine cellar or to the Castle of Cormatin.

DISCOVERY: Later, enjoy a delicious Cheese Tasting on board your ship.

OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN TRÉVOUX. (B,L,D)

DAY 5 | LYON. La Vie En Rose in Lyon

Sail for lovely Lyon this morning.

ACTIVE: Discover Lyon's architectural district by bike with your Adventure Host, over bridges, and along the banks where the Rhône and Saône rivers meet, OR:



CLASSIC: Join a Guided Sightseeing Tour to survey Lyon from Fourvière Hill with its numerous churches. You'll also explore the Old Town with its maze of medieval alleyways, and the lively cafés, monuments, and famed fountain of Place des Terreaux.

DISCOVERY: Be our guest for a WWII & French Resistance your lecture on board your ship. Later enjoy live entertainment after dinner. OVERNIGHT DOCKING IN LYON. (B,L,D)

DAY 6 | LYON. Adventures in Food and Wine

DISCOVERY: Join a Culinary Walk through the city to discover why Lyon is known as the gastronomic capital of France. The rest of your day is free to explore, relax, or shop in France's third largest city. Take a bike from the ship and explore local produce markets and parks, or take a leisurely tour of the city's more than 100

EVENING CRUISE TO TOURNON. (B,L,D)

DAY 7 | TOURNON. A Rendezvous with Castle Views and Vineyards

CLASSIC: Take a morning Guided Walking Tour to explore Tournon— one of France's oldest medieval cities. See its 16th-century castle, and Roman ruins between the Rhône River and the granite slopes of the Hermitage. Enjoy a leisurely sail to Viviers after lunch. VIVIERS, World History in a Charming French Country Village.

CLASSIC: Explore the pale-stone buildings of Viviers on a late afternoon Guided Walking Tour of this charming village. You'll see its Romanesque cathedral and Old Town with a mix of historical Christian, Roman, and medieval influences. Later, enjoy live entertainment on board.

EVENING/ OVERNIGHT CRUISE TO AVIGNON. (B,L,D)

DAY 8 | AVIGNON. The City of Popes in Picturesque Provence

Join your Adventure Host for today's special activities.

cLassic: Take a Guided Sightseeing Tour of the fortress city of Avignon—with its ramparts encircling the city—and a visit to the amazing Palace of the Popes. Guided Optional Excursions include a visit to the ancient Roman aqueduct of Pont du Gard, or a trip to the

famed wine cellars of Châteauneuf-du-Pape for a true taste of the Rhône wine region. Explore Avignon on your own for the city's art and culture, theatre, and museums. Be sure to snap photos of the captivating countryside, historic monuments, and the medieval Pont Saint-Bénézet. Later, enjoy onboard live entertainment.

EVENING CRUISE TO ARLES. (B,L,D)

DAY 9 | ARLES. Inspiring Sights and Avant-Garde Lights

ACTIVE: ACTIVE Get your daily dose of exercise through Nordic walking in Arles with your Adventure Host, OR:

DISCOVERY: Attend a Painting Workshop to learn techniques of Vincent van Gogh. Create your own painting in the style of the legendary artist, OR:

CLASSIC: Enjoy a Guided Walking Tour of Arles— the captivating city of the Provence region. You'll visit the Roman Amphitheater in this visually stunning city. Consider a Guided Optional Excursion to the Carrières de Lumières (Cathedral of Images) a unique experience of art, sound, and light in the old quarries of Val d'Enfer. Take free time to stop in Le Café Van Gogh for a glass of wine. EVENING CRUISE TO PORT ST. LOUIS. (B,L,D)

DAY 10 | PORT ST. LOUIS (DISEMBARKATION)-NICE. Spectacular Seascapes of the Mediterranean Coast

After breakfast this morning, you'll drive to Nice on the spectacular French Riviera, which stretches along France's Mediterranean coast from Toulon to the border of Italy. (B,D)

DAY 11 | NICE. The "Queen of the French Riviera"

CLASSIC: Enjoy a Guided Sightseeing in Nice. Discover the narrow, winding streets and baroque churches of Vieux Nice, the old city—an area which has changed little since the 1700s. (B)

DAY 12 | NICE.

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (B)

Non-refundable Deposit: \$250 per person.



