

## Escorted Tour - Provence - Riviera - Paris 8 days / 7 nights

### Day 1: Marseille - Aix en Provence (32 km)

Arrive in **Marseille** airport. Welcome by your guide and your driver. Transfer to **Aix en Provence**.

Gourmet Diner at your hotel.

Overnight in a 4\*\*\*\* hotel in **Aix en Provence**

### Day 2: Aix en Provence - Avignon- Les Baux de Provence (133 km)

After breakfast, enjoy a morning guided tour of Avignon: visit of the **Popes' Palace**, the biggest gothic palace in all Europe, and the **Pont d'Avignon**, famous for the French song 'Sur le pont d'Avignon', both ranked by UNESCO. Your visit of the Pope's Palace will also include a **wine tasting** with some food specialities



Then, join the medieval village **Les Baux de Provence**, perched high on a rocky plateau above the mysterious Val d'Enfer. After having crossed la Vallée des Baux and its thousand olive trees (renown thanks their AOC), enjoy free time in the village to discover the surroundings (really beautiful sight on the Alpilles mountain)

Back to **Aix en Provence**.

Diner in Aix en Provence

Overnight in your 4\*\*\*\* hotel.

### Day 3: Aix en Provence - Grasse - Saint Paul de Vence - Nice (230km)

After breakfast, departure for **Grasse**, the **world capital of the perfume** industry for over 3 centuries. One of these perfumeries is Fragonard and it is also the most convenient to visit as it is located in the centre of town. Enjoy a guided tour through the perfumery, which includes a very interesting talk about the job of a "Nose" (the person who comes up with new blends etc). There is also a small museum on the premises.



Then, join **St. Paul de Vence**, a **beautiful medieval fortified village** perched on a narrow spur between two deep valleys. The village, fortified in the 13th century, is one of the most intact medieval examples of the region. Except for the ramparts and the typical old houses, the most predominant things to see in the village are the scores of art galleries.



Take the road to **Nice**, the Côte d'Azur capital.

Diner in Nice.

Overnight in your 3\*\*\* superior hotel in Nice.

#### Day 4: Nice - Monaco (40km)

Departure for a walking tour of **old Nice**. Reach the Cours Saleya which is the site of a flower market in the old town sector of Nice. An array of bouquets is available of fresh or dried flowers, and potted plants., then stroll along the famous Promenade des Anglais.

Gourmet tour in Nice at René Socca Restaurant



Take the direction of Monaco for a Half day tour of **Monaco/Montecarlo**. Visit of the Principality , its exceptional site, between sea and mountains, its gardens, its athletic and cultural heritage... all qualities which make Monaco the ideal destination for a day gateway. Drive on the renom Grand Prix race track of Monaco Formula 1 and free time on the Casino Plaza.

Return to **Nice**, Overnight in your 3\*\*\* superior hotel

#### Day 5 : Nice - Paris

After breakfast, train transfer with assistance for a TGV departure to **Paris** on a direct train. Welcome at the railway station by your guide. Free afternoon.

Overnight in your 4\*\*\*\* hotel

#### Day 6 : Paris

After breakfast, departure for a full day sightseeing tour. See the sights that make Paris the most romantic and famous city in the world! Hit all the major sights, including the **Champs Elysées, Arc de Triomphe, Place de la Concorde, Paris Opera, The Madeleine, les Invalides and the Eiffel Tower...** Or, if you prefer, include only those sights you particularly want to see.



Lunch at the restaurant cafeteria The Café Seine

Overnight in your 4\*\*\*\* hotel

#### Day 7: Paris

After picking you up at the doorstep of your hotel in Paris, our guide will take you for a wonderful tour outside of Paris. During this tour you will be driven to **Versailles Palace**, residence of the Sun King, Louis XIV. There, you will discover the famous "A la Francaise" gardens, as well as the Grand Trianon and The Petit Trianon with Marie Antoinette's Hamlet. Take the time to enjoy a guided visit of the great apartments, the Hall of Mirrors and the Queen's apartments.



Lunch at a french brasserie in Versailles

Overnight in your or 4\*\*\*\* hotel

#### Day 8:

Pick up at the hotel, with luggage, for a return transfer to Paris airport with a guide assistance.

**4\*\*\*\* hotel in Aix en Provence:***Location:*

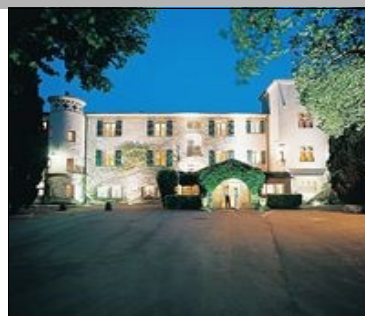
This elegant Bastide town marries the sophistication of the 18th century with the refinement of contemporary Provençal style, affording its guests a luxurious and serene setting in which to relax awhile.

*Rooms:*

There are 49 rooms all spacious, superbly decorated with individual touches and boast air conditioning and sound proofing. You can choose between a room with views over the magnificent entrance courtyard or over the hotel gardens and Mount Sainte Victoire. Some of the rooms also boast a charming terrace; an ideal spot to relax. Each cosy, cheerful, comfortable and calm "Superior" room is the perfect setting for total repose. With stunning views over the hotel grounds; an atmosphere at one and the same time romantic and rustic.

*Services:*

Restaurant, Park, Pool, Fitness room, Hammam, Bar, Lounges, Air conditioning

**3\*\*\*\* Boutique hotel in Nice:***Location:*

The Hotel is a charming location, between sky and sea, a unique location in Nice with an extraordinary view over the Mediterranean Sea and the Promenade des Anglais. Just a few steps from the authentic old town and harbour, discover the charm of the lanes and markets or take advantage from the partnership with a private beach and restaurant situated in front of the hotel.

*Rooms:*

All the rooms are equipped with: Air conditioning, Safe, Mini-Bar, Hair dryer, Satellite TV, Free WIFI

*Services:*

Pets allowed, Bar, Internet access, Nearby parking facilities.

**4\*\*\*\* hotel in Paris***Location:*

Your hotel is situated in the affluent Champs Elysées area of Paris, conveniently close to the Arc de Triomphe, Champs Elysées and the Palais des Congrès exhibition centre.

*Rooms:*

The 50 rooms of this elegant Boutique hotel are decorated in the Directoire style. The softly-lit bar encourages guests to relax at the end of a busy day. The day begins in the colonial-style breakfast-room with its stylish natural hemp chairs. All the rooms are equipped with: mini bar, hair dryer, wifi, satellite TV and air conditioning

*Services:*

Pets allowed, bar, porter...

