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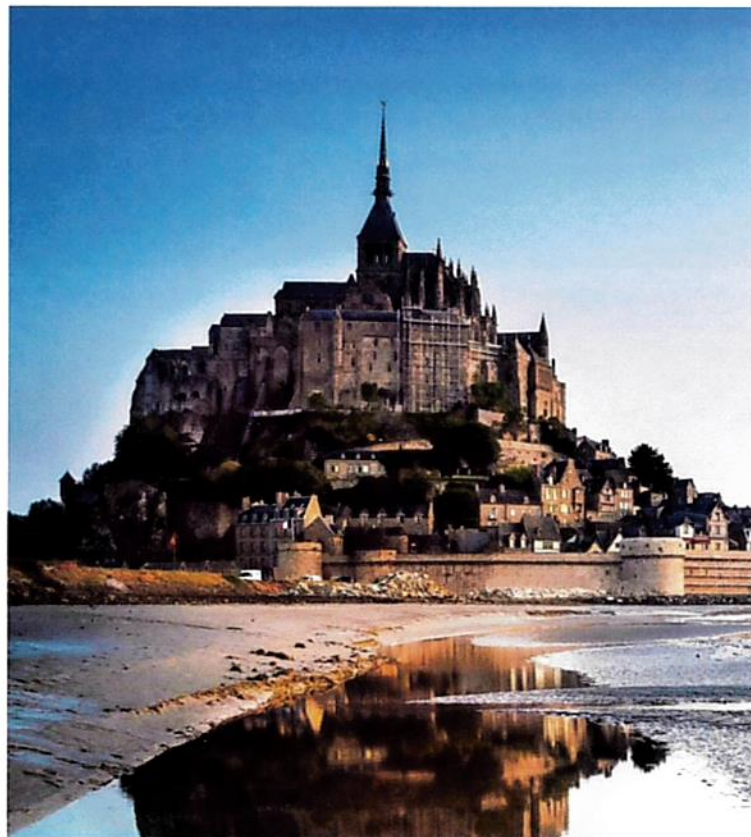
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12 Days • 16 Meals: 10 Breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 5 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Versailles Palace & Gardens, Giverny, Normandy, D-Day Landing Sites, Omaha Beach, American Cemetery, Le Mont Saint-Michel, Loire Valley, Winery Tour, Château de Chenonceau, Seine River Cruise, Eiffel Tower Dinner

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2, 3	Le Louis Versailles Chateau - MGallery, Versailles
Days 4, 5	Mercure Caen City Center-Port de Plaisance, Caen
Days 6, 7	Hotel Oceania, Saint-Malo
Days 8, 9	Chateau Belmont The Crest Collection, Tours
Days 10, 11	Hyatt Regency Paris Etoile, Paris

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Tuesday, August 31, 2027 Overnight Flight France is calling, and tonight you answer. Over the next several days, the history, art, and flavor of France's celebrated cities and towns are yours to discover. *À bientôt, Paris.*

Day 2: Wednesday, September 1, 2027 Paris, France - Versailles *Bienvenue en France*, and welcome to Versailles. As arrival times will vary, there is no scheduled sightseeing today, so spend the afternoon exploring at your own pace. As evening falls, gather with your fellow travelers for a savory French dinner to kick off the journey right. (D)

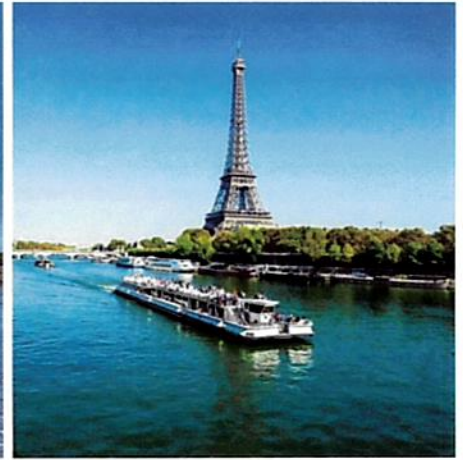
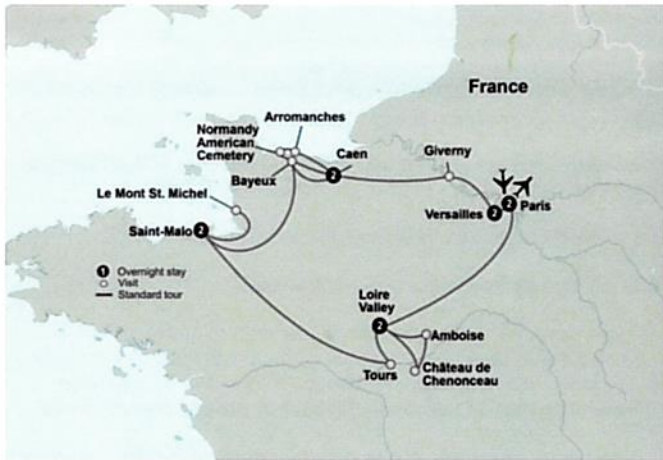
Day 3: Thursday, September 2, 2027 Versailles - Royal Palace and Gardens This morning, explore the Palace of Versailles (UNESCO) with a guide, unlocking the Private Apartments where Louis XIV, the Sun King, held court and shaped a kingdom. Then, the grandeur is yours to take in at your own pace. Wander the lavish State Apartments, linger in the Hall of Mirrors, and stand in the very bedchamber where queens once woke to the business of an empire. By afternoon, step into the formal gardens as Baroque fountains surge to classical music.* Enjoy free time to explore the quieter *Petit Versailles* or lose yourself in the stalls of the open-air *Marché Notre-Dame*. (B)

Day 4: Friday, September 3, 2027 Versailles - Giverny - Caen** This morning, step into the world that shaped one of history's greatest artists, visiting Monet's home at Giverny,** the village where he lived and painted for over forty years. Walk Monet's Garden, where water lilies still drift across the famous pond that inspired his *Nymphéas* series, exactly as he captured them on canvas. By afternoon, the pastures of Normandy roll past as you make your way to Caen, your base for the next two nights. (B, D)

Day 5: Saturday, September 4, 2027 Caen - Normandy American Cemetery - Arromanches - Caen This morning, pay your respects at the Normandy American Cemetery, where the Stars and Stripes fly above rows of white crosses and Stars of David honoring the thousands of Allied soldiers who gave their lives. From there, stand on the sands of Omaha Beach – where Allied forces faced fierce resistance on June 6, 1944 – and feel the weight of what happened here. Walk through the Pointe du Hoc Ranger Memorial and see the clifftops where the 2nd Ranger Battalion scaled 100-foot cliffs under fire to seize a fortified enemy position. The morning ends in Arromanches-les-Bains, where you'll see the concrete remains of Mulberry Harbour, the artificial port the Allies built to sustain the liberation of France. Continue your journey, heading back to Caen. (B)

Day 6: Sunday, September 5, 2027 Caen - Bayeux - Saint-Malo This morning, explore the Caen Peace Memorial Museum, which puts the full story of the D-Day landings and Europe's post-war recovery into vivid context. By midday, the medieval streets of Bayeux, the first French town liberated after D-Day, are yours to wander, past half-timbered houses and into one of Normandy's best-preserved town centers. This afternoon, the walled city of Saint-Malo and the coast of Brittany open up before you – granite ramparts, wide beaches, and the blue sweep of the sea. (B, D)

Day 7: Monday, September 6, 2027 Saint-Malo - Le Mont Saint-Michel - Saint-Malo Today takes you to Le Mont Saint-Michel (UNESCO).*** Rising from the sea on the border of Normandy and Brittany, this ancient pilgrimage site becomes an island at high tide, earning its name as the "Wonder of the West." Come ready to climb; you'll wind upward through the old village, mount uneven cobblestones and steep medieval steps, and ascend into one of France's most extraordinary monastic complexes, dating to the 11th century. At the top, Gothic spires reach skyward and the bay stretches out in every direction – a view that makes every step worth it. (B)



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Day 8: Tuesday, September 7, 2027 Saint-Malo - Winery Visit - Tours - Loire Valley Head south into the Loire Valley (UNESCO), where châteaux dot the landscape and centuries of winemaking run as deep as the roots in the soil. Arrive at a family-owned estate set among the rolling vineyards – its architecture and cellars dating back several centuries, with a winemaking tradition passed down through generations – for an exclusive visit. Your host unlocks the story of the land, the *terroir*, and the techniques that make this region's wines so distinctive. The visit ends at the tasting table where the Loire Valley speaks for itself, glass by glass. As evening falls, settle into your Loire Valley château hotel and gather for a French dinner in its dining room. (B, D)

Day 9: Wednesday, September 8, 2027 Loire Valley - Chenonceau - Amboise - Loire Valley This morning, explore Château de Chenonceau at your own pace – its grand galleries stretching across the Cher River, its Renaissance architecture and rooms lined with centuries of art and furniture that bring its rich history to life. From there, the historic center of Amboise awaits. Enjoy free time to take in the town before your local expert leads you to Clos Lucé, the residence where Leonardo da Vinci spent his final years in France, and where his imagination filled the rooms that still stand today. (B)

Day 10: Thursday, September 9, 2027 Loire Valley - Paris Today, the French countryside gives way to the "City of Light", and Paris reveals itself the best way it can – from the water. Settle in for lunch aboard a cruise along the Seine as Notre-Dame Cathedral, the Conciergerie, and Île Saint-Louis drift past (UNESCO) – a front-row introduction to one of the world's great cities. As evening falls,

enjoy free time to lose yourself in Paris at your own pace. Wander a neighborhood, find a café, let the city pull you in. For an unforgettable night out, consider the optional Paradis Latin**** – champagne, can-can, and live music at one of Paris's most celebrated cabarets. (B, L)

Day 11: Friday, September 10, 2027 Paris This morning, **it's your choice!** Enjoy a guided overview of the city's iconic sights, including the Arc de Triomphe, Champs Élysées, and a walk near Notre-Dame -OR- explore Montmartre with a local expert by Métro, wandering the hilltop streets around Sacré Cœur***** that inspired generations of artists. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city at your own pace – one last chance to let Paris surprise you. As evening falls, head up inside the Eiffel Tower***** itself for an exclusive dinner – French food, panoramic views of the "City of Light" glittering below, and a send-off that is, in every sense, *magnifique*. (B, D)

Day 12: Saturday, September 11, 2027 Paris - Tour Ends Head home carrying a little bit of France with you – the food, the wine, and the art of living that this country does better than anyone. *Au revoir*. (B)

For more information visit <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1398413>

Important Tour Information:

Book Now rates valid until Mar 01, 2027, valid on air inclusive packages only.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices.

Travel with an average of 37 people (maximum of 44).

***Access to Le Mont Saint-Michel is via a shuttle bus requiring the ability to stand for the duration of the ride, approximately 20 minutes each way. The shuttle drop-off is 0.3 miles (483 meters) from the village walls. From that point, the visit is entirely on foot. Visiting the old village requires the ability to navigate cobblestone streets and steep inclines (between 8% and 15%). There are no handrails in the village streets. The visit to the abbey requires the ability to climb up to 350 steps: around 200 are outdoors (to reach the top of the Grande Rue), then 150 are inside the abbey. The steps range in height between 7.5 and 11 inches (19 to 28 centimeters). There are no elevators or escalators at Le Mont Saint-Michel.

Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motorcoaches, especially in historic areas such as Le Mont Saint-Michel, Saint-Malo, and the cities of Tours and Amboise. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes. If you have difficulty walking, you may not be able to access some of these areas and may want to consider an alternate tour with us. Our Client Care Agents can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect tour for you.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at the time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

This tour covers about 930 miles (1497 kilometers) over 11 days. Most days are comfortably paced, with two longer drives: Saint-Malo to the Loire Valley and the Loire Valley to Paris.

Most shops close on Sundays (sometimes Mondays), national and religious holidays, and frequently for a midday lunch break.

****Paradis Latin cabaret show may be considered unsuitable for children – consult your Tour Manager.

Days of features are interchangeable.

*****Due to high demand for the Eiffel Tower restaurant, your dining time can be as late as 9:00 p.m. The restaurant will give you access to level 1 of the Eiffel Tower. Be prepared for security lines before reaching the restaurant. The menu, crafted by a renowned chef, is high-quality but offers no choices.

*The musical fountain show is available on Saturdays and Sundays between early April and late October. Depending on the season, there are different experiences. Please consult your Tour Manager while on tour as the exact starting date changes yearly depending on weather conditions and local holidays. If your stay is between the end of June to early September, a Night Visit with Fireworks Show (Les Grandes Eaux Nocturnes) may occur.

**Monet's Gardens in Giverny are open from April to October. If you are traveling at a different time of the year, you will visit Rouen instead.

*****Notre-Dame and Sacré-Coeur do not require reservations for entry. Guided visits inside are not permitted, and access is subject to daily wait times. Depending on the available free time, travelers may or may not be able to enter.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

Triple accommodations are not available due to hotel restrictions.

Our transfers will depart from/return to Paris airport.

To complete your tour, we include round-trip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Our air travelers will arrive into and depart from Paris airport.

Please be advised, many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Prepaid tipping is not available on our tours therefore payment of customary end-of-trip gratuities for your Tour Manager, driver, hotel housekeepers, and cruise ship waitstaff should be handled individually when applicable during the course of your tour.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

Travel Requirements:

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department's latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Collette will provide all necessary information, updates, and supporting documents for your travel requirements, including visa and Electronic Travel Authorizations (ETAs), if required, approximately 60-90 days prior to your departure.

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A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the seat reduction date of February 22, 2027 are based upon availability. Final payment due by May 31, 2027. Deposits are refundable up until March 01, 2027.

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