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NORMANDY & PROVENCE RIVER CRUISE





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Departing October 27, 2024

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Begin your 12-day journey with a 3-night excursion to Caen, the capital of Normandy. Visit the beaches of Normandy along with the 11th century medieval castle and on to Mont-St-Michel, a UNESCO World-Heritage-listed island before embarking the beautiful Amadeus Provence ship for your cruise along the French rivers Rhône and Saône. Experience picturesque villages, world famous wine regions such as the Côte d'Or, unforgettable stretches of land in the regions of Provence and Burgundy, and impressive views of historic cities and monuments. Food, wine, art, architecture, scenery and history - it all comes together in glorious harmony in the South of France.

Traveling in comfort and style the Roman emperors would have envied, you'll find yourself falling under the timeless spell of southern France on a journey that is nothing less than "magnifique"!

For additional information or questions, please contact

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HIGHLIGHTS & PORTS

DAY 1: USA - PARIS, FRANCE

Depart the USA for Paris on an overnight flight with in-flight meals.

Day 2: PARIS - CAEN

Arrive this afternoon in Paris and travel to Caen for a private walking tour of Caen. Caen is a charming city that survived the massive Battle of Normandy. Admire the 11th century medieval castle built by William the Conqueror and explore St Peter's Church which has been beautifully restored after World War II. Enjoy a welcome drink before dinner.

HIGHLIGHTS

- · Roundtrip scheduled airfare from Chicago
- · 7 nights aboard the 5-star Amadeus Provence Cruise Ship
- · 3 nights in Caen, France
- · High-Speed train from Caen to Lyon
- · Superb dining with all meals included during your cruise (buffet breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea, and dinner)
- · 24 hour coffee station
- · Quality red & white wines from Europe's great wine regions with every dinner onboard the ship
- · Welcome Dinner
- · Captain's Gala Dinner
- · Daily onboard music performances
- · Adelman Discoveries staff
- · Non-smoking environment (smoking permitted only on the Sun-Deck)
- · Fuel Surcharges, air and port taxes
- Tours including: Caen, Normandy Beaches, Mont-St-Michel, Maconnais Excursion & Wine Museum, Beaune & Burgundy Excursion, Lyon City Tour, Avignon City Walk and Arles City Walk, and Truffle Farm and tasting





Day 3: CAEN - NORMANDY BEACHES

Today, explore Omaha Beach, the American Cemetery and Arromanches artificial harbor where you will learn historical facts about WWII and the D-Day invasion. (B)

Day 4: CAEN - MONT-ST-MICHEL

Travel through scenic Normandy en route to the medieval Mont-St-Michel on a full-day trip from Caen. Discover the UNESCO World-Heritage-listed island and its iconic Gothic abbey with a guide, and listen to fascinating history and legendary stories about the site. Enjoy ample time to explore the island, and admire views of the surrounding bay before traveling back to your hotel in Caen. (B)

Day 5: CAEN - LYON

This morning, travel by high-speed rail from Caen to Lyon! Sit back and enjoy the beautiful scenery en route to Lyon, France; spectacular in both scenery and engineering. In Lyon embark the Amadeus Provence and make yourself comfortable in your cabin, which will be your luxurious home for the coming week. In the evening, join fellow travelers for a Welcome Cocktail and delectable Welcome Dinner. (B, D)

Day 6: MACON

In the morning, your ship arrives in Mâcon, located in southern Burgundy. With a history stretching back more than 2,000 years, Mâcon is an architectural treasure trove and a gateway to the vineyards of the Côte Mâconnais. This historic wine region produces some of the finest and most expensive wines in the world. Enjoy

a guided tour and admire the peaceful vineyards of the Beaujolais and Mâconnais wine regions. A highlight is the visit to the "Hameau Duboeuf" wine museum, featuring the history and production of Burgundy wines, and a wine tasting. After lunch on board, join the afternoon excursion to Cluny Abbey, which was founded in 910 and was home to over 10,000 monks at its height, or visit Château de Pierreclos with its romantic wine cellars and vineyard. Enjoy dinner on board in the evening. (B, L, D)

Day 7: CHALON SUR SAÔNE - TOURNUS 🍸

Continue exploring the Burgundy wine region in Chalon-sur-Saône, where half-timbered houses overlook a square teeming with art galleries and specialty shops. Enjoy a scenic drive through the Burgundy wine route on the morning tour. Your bus will stop in Beaune, where you will see the beautiful Hôtel-Dieu and enjoy a wine tasting at one of Beaune's famous cellars. After lunch on board, unwind and admire the scenery as the vessel continues along the Saône or, alternatively, join the afternoon excursion, which departs from Chalon-sur-Saône overland for the medieval towns of Brancion and Cormatin. The Château de Cormatin is a beautiful castle with magnificent French gardens. It was built in the 17th Century with the aim to impress. Rejoin your vessel in time for dinner on board. (B, L, D)

Day 8: LYON

Today your AMADEUS vessel returns to Lyon, which is known not only for its architectural beauty but also for its gastronomic excellence. On the guided



tour, discover this UNESCO World Heritage site with its most famous landmarks including the Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourvière and the charming Renaissance Vieux Lyon (Old Lyon), or join the excursion to the covered food market of Paul Bocuse and sample the local delicacies. At midday, the ship leaves Lyon. (B, L, D)

Day 9: AVIGNON

Spend the day exploring the Provençal city of Avignon and discovering its momentous history. In the morning, take part in a guided walking tour of Avignon, the seat of the Catholic popes from 1309 to 1377. Admire the grand Palace of the Popes, one of the world's most fascinating examples of Gothic architecture and the Pont d'Avignon. After lunch, join the excursion to the hilltop town of Uzès and to the Pont du Gard, a Roman aqueduct and great masterpiece of engineering. In the evening, dinner is followed by entertainment by a local music band. We depart for Arles this evening. (B, L, D)

Day 10: ARLES

Old Arles is a delight to wander in and explore. No wonder it once captured the imagination of the brilliant Impressionist painter, Vincent van Gogh. Learn more about its rich history during the morning tour. Inside the Roman amphitheater, get a good impression of what being a spectator of gladiator fights was like at the end of the first century. This afternoon, recharge in the tranquility of unspoiled scenery by joining the excursion to the natural beauty of the Camargue's salt marshes, home to the renowned Camargue bulls and wild white horses. This nature preserve is also one of the few European habitats which supports the greater flamingo. After a full day in Arles, your vessel will continue cruising the Rhône River. (B, L, D)



Day 11: CHÂTEAUNEUF-DU-RHÔNE - LE POUZIN

You can choose to spend a day on board or join a morning guided tour the Ardèche Gorge, another natural wonder of this area. Visit the "Grand Canyon of Europe," where spectacular limestone cliffs tower over the meandering river below. France is a leading producer of black truffles, so the alternative is an exploration of the world of truffles with a visit and tasting to a local truffle farm. Rejoin the vessel in Le Pouzin in time for lunch. This afternoon, relax on board as your ship makes its way back up the waterways of the Provence. This evening, celebrate your cruise experience at the Captain's Gala Dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 12: LYON - USA

After breakfast, bid the Rhône River Au Revoir and fly home from Lyon or participate in our optional 3-night Paris post tour. (B)





OPTIONAL POST-CRUISE STAY IN PARIS 3 NIGHTS - \$799 PER PERSON

- 3 nights accommodation in a first class hotel in Paris, with breakfast included each morning
- All transfers included
- · Guided City tour of Paris
- Enjoy all the sights, including Notre Dame, Eiffel Tower and Arc de Triomphe.





Meet Your Ship: MS Amadeus Provence



In April 2017 the AMADEUS Provence, the one of the newer premium vessels of the AMADEUS fleet, started sailing on the French rivers Rhône and Saône. The AMADEUS Provence offers custom-designed luxury and features a unique combination of modern elegance and superb amenities: 62 Staterooms drop-down panoramic windows, luxurious bathrooms and walk-in wardrobes, spacious public areas such as the pool deck with swimming pool and Lido-Bar or the outdoor glass-shielded "River Terrace".

Stay in one of the elegantly appointed Classic Staterooms or Amadeus Suites and enjoy unexpected little luxuries. No detail is too small – especially the sincere smiles of your passionately professional staff and crew. It's the difference between good service and the kind of service that makes you feel especially

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