

Sensations of Lyon & Provence



Tour Name: Sensations of Lyon & Provence

Tour Code: EFRC

Days: 8

Day 1

Sat, 02 May

Nice - Arles (D)

Welcome to France and the beginning of your cruise. You'll be met by a member of our team at the airport

Day 3
Mon, 04 May

Avignon (B,L,D)

Avignon has a long and storied history. This fortified town is the former residence of seven consecutive Popes in the 1300s who fled Rome to escape from the political pressures of the Roman Empire. The city went on to become an important location during the French Revolution.

Embark on a guided walking tour to witness its illustrious past, including the ornate Gothic exterior of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Palais des Papes, built by the Popes over two decades. This evening you are invited to join the unique experience of a classical concert in Avignon as part of our EmeraldPLUS program.

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Avignon

EmeraldPLUS

Classical concert in Avignon

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Canoeing excursion in Avignon

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Guided tour of the Pont du Gard (extra expense)

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Private hidden Gems tours of Avignon (extra expense)

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Visit to Chateauneuf du Pape with wine tasting (extra expense)

Day 4
Tue, 05 May

Viviers (B,L,D)

A snapshot of quintessential France awaits your arrival in Viviers, a town that perfectly encapsulates the medieval days of the region. Pastel coloured buildings gently faded by the sun line narrow cobblestone streets, and the heart of the Old Town is yours to explore today during a guided walking tour.

EmeraldPLUS

CD lecture Art & Culture in the South of France

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Viviers

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Visit to Chauvet Pont D'Arc (extra expense)

Day 5
Wed, 06 May

Tournon (B,L,D)

As we sail down the gently twisting Rhône River into Tournon, you'll be treated to an extraordinary view of a 16th-century castle overlooking the village and a pair of ancient watchtowers adorning the surrounding rural landscape. Today, embark on a guided tour of Tournon and learn about its illustrious history and the culture of the people who call it home. If you would like to explore more of the region's natural beauty, then you may instead choose to embark on an EmeraldACTIVE hike through some of the local vineyards.

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Tournon

EmeraldACTIVE

Guided hike through the vineyards

Day 6
Thu, 07 May

Mâcon (B,L,D)

Today we enjoy a relaxed morning sailing on the Saone river until we reach the lovely town of Macon. Here we will discover the Beaujolais wine region, renowned for its vibrant, fruity wines with Gamay grape variety. The extensive planting of the Gamay grape makes Beaujolais wine region one of the several regions on the planet to focus on a single grape variety. Red wine accounts for 99% of the total wine production of the region.

Included Excursion

Beaujolais wine tasting

Day 7
Fri, 08 May

Lyon (B,L,D)

As one of the largest cities in France and a former Roman capital, many of the most important moments in French history have taken place in Lyon. But it's Lyonnaise cuisine that has really put this city on the map, delighting gastronomists from around the world.

Join your local guide for a walking tour of the city, including the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Basilica Notre-Dame de Fourvière. If you're feeling more active, then you may instead choose to embark on a guided bike tour, touching on its most prominent architectural wonders and moments from history.

Included Excursion

Guided tour of Lyon

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Guided bike tour of Lyon

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Excursion to Pérouges (extra expense)

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Private Culinary Charms of Lyon (extra expense)

Day 8
Sat, 09 May

Lyon (B)

After breakfast, it's time to bid farewell to your fellow guests and disembark the Star-Ship for your transfer to the airport, taking memories of French architecture and sun-kissed vineyards with you.

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Please book your flight to depart out of Lyon after 10:00 AM.