

Burgess Travel Adventures

presents..

Essence of

France Paris. Provence & the French Highlights.... Riviera Departing

June 25- July 6, 2025

Paris • Le Marais Food Tour • Seine River Cruise • High-Speed TGV Train • Aix-en-Provence • Truffle Demonstration • Cassis • Choice on Tour: Calanques Scenic Boat Tour or Hiking in the Calanques National Park • Grasse • Perfume Workshop • Nice

• Saint Paul de Vence • Villa Rothschild

12 Days • 17 Meals: 10 Breakfasts • 3 Lunches • 4 Dinners LAND Per Person Rates: **Double \$5,399**; Triple \$5,299

Cultural Connections

- ★ Delve into truffle hunting during a demonstration with a local chef and his truffle-sniffing dogs.
- ★ Explore the charming walled medieval village of Saint Paul de Vence.
- ★ Learn the secrets of perfume making during a hands-on workshop.

Day 1: Overnight Flight

Allons-y! Ignite the senses on a journey to romantic Paris, colorful Provence,

and the sparkling French Riviera. Mouthwatering cuisine, stunning views, art, and history create a trip that shows you the true essence of France.

Day 2: Paris, France

Arrive in Paris, the brilliant capital of France. A three-night stay in the "City of Light" showcases its vibrant atmosphere, cuisine, and history. Meet your fellow explorers this evening over dinner as you toast "santé" to the beginning of a grand adventure. Today dinner will be included.

Day 3: Paris - Île de la Cité - Seine River Cruise

Do as the locals do when you step aboard Le Métro - your main mode of transportation while in Paris. As you learn to navigate the city with your Tour Manager, embrace the freedom to set off later as you wish. The first stop is the hip and historic district of Le Marais. Join a local foodie and venture to the neighborhood's beloved venues, getting a taste of the cozy shops and Parisian flavors before pausing at a local bistro for a glass of wine and the plat du jour. In the early afternoon, walk down to Île de la Cité and take in the progress of restoration efforts of Notre Dame Cathedral. Later, glide along the

banks of the Seine (UNESCO) on a river cruise, admiring the Eiffel Tower and the city's famous bridges. Spend the evening as you please. Today breakfast and lunch will be included.

Day 4: Paris

The day is totally yours, so experience Paris at your own pace today. Perhaps you'll venture to bohemian Montmartre, pausing to observe modern artists at work in Place du Tertre. Or maybe you'll stroll along the grand Champs Élysées or venture to the Louvre Museum.* You may want to experience Paris' nightlife during an optional dinner at the dynamic Paradis Latin**

cabaret show, featuring champagne, can-can dancers, and endless excitement. Today breakfast will be included.

Day 5: Paris - High-Speed Train to Marseilles - Aix-en-Provence Au revoir. Paris! Grab your bags and let a TGV*** – France's high-speed train – whisk you away to colorful Provence. Arrive in Marseille in the early afternoon. Get a quick look at France's oldest city before transferring to Aix, your home for the next four nights. This evening, savor the flavors of Provence during a tasting dinner in a local restaurant. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

Day 6: Aix-en-Provence - Provençal Countryside - Aix-en-Provence Embark on a memorable epicurean adventure with a captivating truffle demonstration! Join a local chef and their trained, truffle-sniffing dogs in the charming setting of the farmer's garden, offering an intimate and exclusive look at the art of truffle hunting. Beforehand, visit a goat farm nestled among rich landscapes that inspired van Gogh, Picasso, and Renoir to learn the secrets of regional cheese production and sample the results. Then savor a lunch featuring freshly prepared Provençal specialties whipped up by your chef. Back in Aix, the balance of the afternoon is yours. Perhaps you'll take a stroll along Le Cours Mirabeau. This tree-lined, pedestrianized avenue is dotted by fountains and cafés cherished by locals and visitors alike. Today breakfast and lunch will be included.

Day 7: Aix-en-Provence - Cassis - Aix-en-Provence

by land or sea because it's your choice! Relax on a scenic cruise for views of France. Today breakfast and dinner will be included. the towering cliffs -OR- challenge yourself on a hike**** through the Mediterranean shrub to view the rugged landscape from above. No matter your choice, once back in Cassis make the most of your free time, perhaps tasting a traditional bouillabaisse fish stew before returning to Aix in the mid-afternoon.

Platice Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

Day 12: Nice - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many fond memories of the essence of France. Today breakfast will be included.

Today breakfast will be included.

Day 8: Aix-en-Provence

The day is yours to explore Aix-en-Provence at leisure. Perhaps you'll visit the atelier (artist's studio) of Aix's most renowned citizen, Paul Cézanne, frozen in time since the painter's death in 1906. Or you may choose a full-day optional tour exploring the historic village of Saint-Rémy, with its bustling weekly market and the cobbled streets of Les Baux-de-Provence, a picture perfect hilltop village. Before returning to Aix, experience an impressive multimedia presentation at the Carrières de Lumières. Making use of a former quarry, iconic works of art are projected onto the surrounding rock, accompanied by stirring music. Today breakfast will be included.

Day 9: Aix-en-Provence - Grasse - Nice

This morning, traverse southern France en route to the French Riviera. Pause in Grasse to learn the secrets of perfume making during a hands-on workshop led by an expert perfumer, affectionately referred to as *nez* (nose). Arrive in Nice in the late afternoon and settle in for a three-night stay in the resort town of the Côte d'Azur. This evening taste Mediterranean-inspired French cuisine during dinner at a local restaurant. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

Day 10: Nice - Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat - Villa Rothschild Head to Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, the crown jewel of the French Riviera, and visit the impressive Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild. Uncover the lush gardens replete with lovely views of the Mediterranean Sea. Your visit to the villa is complete with a celebratory lunch served in the villa's charming tearoom. Today breakfast and lunch will be included.

Day 11: Nice - Saint Paul de Vence - Nice

This morning, discover Nice's famed flower market and be enchanted by the brightly colored blooms before journeying to historic Saint Paul de Vence, situated atop a hill overlooking the beautiful countryside. Explore this charming walled medieval village, soaking in its distinctive light, said to have inspired artists Journey to the fishing village of Cassis. Sheltered by the Calanques National such as Matisse and poet Jacques Prévert. Back in Nice this afternoon, bask in Park on one side and the mighty Cap Canaille on the other, Cassis charms with the sunshine at a local café or perhaps take in an artist's perspective at the its multicolored houses and array of small fishing boats, yachts and sailboats Chagall National Museum. Gaze over the Bay of Villefranche as you compare quietly bobbing in its harbor. Then, explore the National Park's coves and inlets notes and experiences with fellow travelers as you say au revoir to the magic of

Explore. Connect. Live.

Truffle

Discovery

Follow the winding roads of the Provençal countryside and delve into the world of truffle hunting during a special demonstration led by a local chef. Belonging to the wider family of the fungi (not to be confused with mushrooms!) truffles are tuber-shaped and grow underground. For centuries, French searchers used 'truffle hogs' (domesticated pigs) to search for them. In recent years, dogs have replaced pigs, but both are equally gifted in finding these elusive delicacies. Discover the deep roots of truffle hunting in French culture and learn about how truffle dogs are trained to find France's elusive "black gold." Take in the essence of rural France, surrounded by vineyards and almond trees and say, with Henri Bosco: "This land has taken root in me..."

YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Day 2 – 4 Courtyard Marriott Paris Gare de Lyon Hotel. Paris

Day 5 – 8 Grand Hotel Roi René, Aix-en-Provence or Boutique Hotel Cezanne, Aix-en Provence

Day 9 – 11 Hotel Massena, Nice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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

IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION

*Airfare: For your convenience, we offer airfare for purchase with all tour packages. If you purchase an air inclusive program, your airfare will be quoted inclusive of all fuel, taxes and fees. Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Preassigned seats are limited and may not be available on every flight or departure date.

Checked Baggage Charges: Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies.

Consumer Protection Plans: Collette Travel Service holds membership in the following highly reputable industry organizations: the United States Tour Operators Association and the American Society of Travel Agents. Each association operates a consumer protection plan to cover deposits made by travelers. Full details are available from the organizations or Collette Travel Service. Collette is pleased to give this additional protection to our clients. Our California Sellers of Travel registration number is 2006766-20. Our State of Washington Unified Business Number is 601-220-855. Florida Seller of Travel registration number. ST35613 / Cancellation Charges for this tour: After your seat reduction date has passed, a non-refundable deposit will be retained. For Cancellation between 90-16 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 40% of total price. For cancellation between 15-1 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 75% of total price. For cancellation on the day of departure and after: 100% of total price. For Ocean Cruises: For cancellation between 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 40% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: 60% of total price. 30 or fewer days prior to departure: 100% of total price. For River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China, 90-61 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 50% of total price. For cancellation between 60-31 days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 85% of total price. For cancellation 30 or fewer days prior to departure: cancellation fee of 100% of total price. For Galapagos and Antarctica: A cancellation fee of 60% will apply for cancellation between 120-90 days prior to departure; A cancellation charge of 100% will apply for cancellation less than 90 days prior to departure. Cancellation protection is highly recommended and must be purchased at time of deposit. Air rates are subject to change until tour is paid in full. If Travel Protection Plan has not been purchased and a reservation is cancelled for any reason prior to departure - Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full. Cancellation charges also apply to reservations made for "pre" and "post" night accommodations. Payment of a Per Person Travel Protection Plan Fee guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except the Travel Protection Plan Fee itself, made to Collette for travel arrangements in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. The Travel Protection Plan Fee with Air only covers airline tickets you have purchased from Collette. Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, Part B of the Travel Protection Plan may provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes, or fees in the event of a cancellation for a covered reason (see Part B for more details). The Travel Protection Plan Fee does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's traveling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. However, the Part B travel insurance includes a single supplement benefit of \$1,500 for certain covered reasons as detailed in Part B. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the canceling client, the traveling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement. Cancellation waiver protects you from penalties in the event you have a need to cancel your entire inclusive tour package up to the day prior to departure. Cancellation waiver does not indemnify you from penalties if you chose to cancel partial tour components or air. If you chose to partially cancel your vacation, you will be responsible for a revision fee as well as any penalties that are incurred at the time of the cancellation. Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not canceled in violation of the terms and conditions above, you will be refunded 100%. Please see your sales agent for more information, or review our brochure for details

Responsibilities: Collette monitors security situations around the world as well as government travel advisories. Conditions may require Collette to change or even cancel trips. You accept the risks involved in travel, both foreign and domestic, and accept responsibility for your own travel decisions. Travelers may be required to review and sign a participation agreement prior to engaging in certain activities on the trip. Neither Collette Travel Service, Inc., its affiliated entities and its and their employees, shareholders, officers, directors, successors, agents, and assigns (collectively "Collette"), own or operate any person or entity which is to or does provide goods or services for these trips. You agree to be bound by the conditions of carriage for all transportation providers. Collette does not maintain control or operate the personnel, equipment, or operations of these suppliers it uses and as such Collette assumes no responsibility for and cannot be held liable for any personal injury, death, property damage or other loss, accident, delay, inconvenience, or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of (1) any wrongful, negligent, willful or unauthorized acts or omissions on the part of any of the suppliers or other employees or agents, (2) any defect in or failure of any vehicle, equipment, or instrumer owned, operated or otherwise used by any of these suppliers, or (3) any wrongful, willful or negligent act or omission on the part of any other party. Client shall indemnify and hold harmless Collette Travel Service. Inc., its affiliated entities and its and their employees, agents, shareholders, officers, successors and assigns (collectively "Collette"), from all suits, actions, losses, damages, claims or liability for any personal injury, death, property damage or other loss, accident, delay, inconvenience or irregularity which is occasioned by any negligent acts or omissions of Collette arising out of any goods or services provided for this or these trips. Additionally, responsibility is not accepted for losses or expenses due to sickness, lack of appropriate medical facilities or practitioners, weather, strikes, theft or other criminal acts, war, terrorism, computer problems, or other such causes. Other risks may arise such as, but not limited to, hazards of traveling in foreign countries including undeveloped areas, the hazards of travel by aircraft, bus, van, train, automobile or other motorized, vehicle, differing safety standards, sickness, criminal acts committed by others, allergic reactions, and/or animal encounters. You are voluntarily participating in the tour and Collette, and as lawful consideration for the agreement to travel with Collette, you agree not to make a claim against Collette, its related companies, officers and employees for injuries, death, or any other claim and agree to release Collette, its related companies, officers and employees from any such claim. This release is binding on all members of your traveling party, as well as your Estate and heirs and this provision shall be enforceable even after your trip has ended. If you make your own air reservations, Collette is not responsible and shall provide no refund if your flight schedule changes so that you are not able to enjoy the entirety of your tour. All services and accommodations are subject to the laws of the country in which they are provided. Collette reserves the right to make changes in the published itinerary whenever, in their sole judgment, conditions warrant, or if Collette deems it necessary for the comfort, convenience, or safety of the tour. Collette reserves the right to withdraw any tour announced. Collette reserves the right to decline to accept any person as a member of the tour, or to require any participant to withdraw from the tour at any time, when such action is determined by the Tour Manager to be in the best interests of the health, safety, and general welfare of the tour group or of the individual participant. If you are traveling with children, you are solely responsible for their behavior and monitoring them throughout the tour. Neither does Collette accept liability for any carrier's cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable airline or other ticket to the tour departure city and return or otherwise. Baggage and personal effects are the sole responsibility of the owner at all times. Collette is not responsible, and will not be bound by, representations made by third party representatives, travel agents, unaffiliated websites, or any other party. Participants may be photographed for the promotional purposes of Collette. In addition, any comments that you submit as a review or your social media posts may be used for Collette's promotional purposes.

Payment of the deposit to Collette constitutes acceptance of these terms and conditions. Collette reserves the right to modify these terms and conditions at any time, without notice.

To reserve this Tour, fill out the Credit Card Form or Other Payment Methods below.

Any questions contact us at: Email: <u>B@BurgessTravelAdventures.com</u>

Tel:212.406.2400 / Mobile: 917.750.9532 / Fax: 212. 406.2402

BURGESS TRAVEL ADVENTURES

William H. Burgess, III President

Email:B@BurgessTravelAdventures.com | Tel: +212.406.2400 | Fax: +212.406.2402 | Mobile & WhatsApp: +917.750.9532 | P.O. Box 2224, New York, NY 10008-2224

CREDIT CARD & PAYMENT AUTHORIZATION FORM In lieu of credit card imprint, I______ hereby authorize Burgess Travel Adventures in the amount of US \$_____ on ____ Date for myself and/ or _____ Billing Address: Street : _____ City:_____ State: Zip Code: _____ Phone (home): Mobile: Card Information: Visa □ Mastercard □ American Express □ Discover □ Last 3 digits on the back of your credit card Visa and Mastercard only and 4 digits front of your Amex credit card Note: By signing below, I acknowledge charges described here on payment in full to be made when billed or extended payments in accordance with the standard policy of the company issuing the card, and in accordance with the Terms and Conditions found in the Burgess Travel Adventures Contract. Remarks: On your credit card statement you will see the amount written in "Air Portion" charged by airlines (if applicable), and the amount shown in "Other Services" will be charged by Burgess Travel Adventures. **Revisions**: A handling fee of US \$ 50 will be charged for any changes made to booking after confirmation. Refunds: No refunds can be made for unused portions of any services Group Agreement Terms: The signature of the credit cardholder below verifies their understanding that, this is a special (customized) group itinerary and the credit cardholder agrees to relinquish authority to decide changes to the itinerary or authority to cancel the group to the tour organizer (travel agent or group leader) who has signed an agreement with Burgess Travel Adventures Intl. Please note: changes and/or cancellation can have financial impact on members of the group. By signing this form, participants waive any chargeback rights and, in the event of dispute, request for refund must be made using procedures described in Burgess Travel Adventures brochure. Credit card holder Name and signature : ______ Date of Authorization: ☐ I confirm this credit card information has been called in separately for added security.

If you prefer a Digital Payment Method, we also accept:

- Zelle at 917.750.9532
- Venmo at @William-Burgess-118

To pay by Money Order, Bank or Personal Checks mail to:

Burgess Travel Adventures
 Church Street Station, P.O. Box 2224, New York, NY 10008-2224