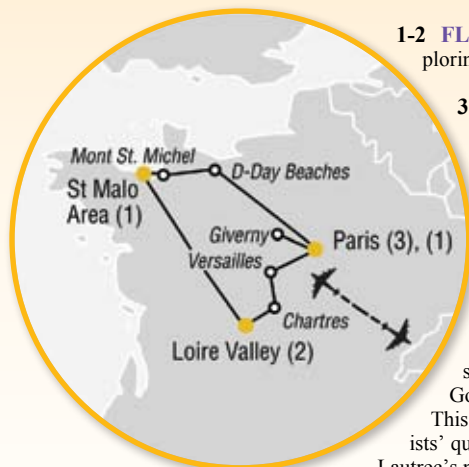


La Belle France



Tour Itinerary: 9 Days



1-2 FLY TO PARIS. Overnight flight to Europe. Begin exploring the captivating capital of France.

3 PARIS-LOUVRE. From the romantic cafés surrounding the Arc de Triomphe to the sweeping Champs-Élysées, the Eiffel Tower, and Les Invalides, join a local guide for a view of the City of Lights. Tour the tremendous Notre Dame Cathedral, home of the fictional hunchback. Smile at da Vinci's *Mona Lisa* in the Louvre Museum. Ascend to the top of the Eiffel Tower for a bird's eye view of the city.

4 GIVERNY. Opt to become an artist as you **Cover the Canvas** and then visit the beautiful home of Impressionist Claude Monet in Giverny (before April 1 Van Gogh's last home at Auvers-sur-Oise will be substituted). This evening, enjoy a walking tour of Sacre Coeur and the artists' quarter of Montmartre, recognizable in many of Toulouse-Lautrec's posters.

5 VERSAILLES-CHARTRES. Picture the flow of royalty through the vast grounds and gardens of Louis XIV's Palace of Versailles, and **Seize the Château!** Tour the Hall of Mirrors, the royal apartments and the gardens. Admire the interior of Chartres Cathedral en route to the Loire Valley.

6 LOIRE CHATEAUX. Appreciate centuries of history in the beautiful Château of Chenonceau. Explore the Château of Amboise, then visit Clos Lucé, da Vinci's manor, which now houses 40 of his inventions. Visit Tours to create your own delicacies in **Bon Appetit**.

7 MONT ST. MICHEL. While on the Breton Coast, visit Mont St. Michel, a fortified island adorned by a monastery. Continue to St. Malo, city by the sea. Enjoy **Medieval Merriment!**

8 NORMANDY. Admire Normandy's striking coastal landscape, the battleground of WWII's D-Day. Experience the **Soldiers' Stories**. At the American Military Cemetery and Memorial Museum of the Battle of Normandy, pause to remember the soldiers. Return to Paris.

9 RETURN JOURNEY TO THE UNITED STATES, or opt to extend your stay in France by adding extra days in Paris.



NETC Exclusives

LEAP!™

- **Seize the Château!** A lively role-play puts you in the shoes of the monarchy, clergy, nobility, bourgeoisie, or peasantry to explore the issues underlying the French Revolution.
- **Soldiers' Stories** Step into the shoes of US servicemen as they land in Normandy on D-day. Learn about their lives and their experiences to gain personal and historical perspective.
- **Medieval Merriment!** Grab your dancing shoes and learn the visual language of Breton dance. Discover the important role it played in Breton folk culture, where there was a dance for every occasion, and a special meaning behind each step in the choreography.
- **Bon Appetit** Slice, dice and stir! Savor the French county lifestyle by creating (and eating) traditional Loire Valley cuisine.

NETC Includes:

- Full time, bilingual Tour Director, LEAP-trained in experiential education
- Conveniently located 3 and 4 star hotels for 7 nights
- Daily breakfast to start the day energized and ready to go
- Appetizing, authentic dinner daily
- Tour Director or local guide-led exploration of historic sites and city highlights described in itinerary
- Traveler Assistance, Medical and Basic Cancellation Insurance
- Round trip airfare and transportation as described in itinerary

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Optional Excursions & Activities:

- Cover the Canvas and Giverny
- Extra day in Paris

Group rates above apply when all group members participate.