

FRENCH ELEGANCE, PARIS & BORDEAUX DISCOVERY

Featuring - Bordeaux, Paris

10 Jan, 2025 - 16 Jan, 2025

DURATION	GROUP SIZE	AIRPORT	PRICE STARTING FROM
5 Nights / 7 Days	10 People	Houston (IAH)	Twin Sharing Price - \$ 3,199.00 Single Supplement Price - \$ 699.00

OVERVIEW

A Paris and Bordeaux tour is a captivating journey through two of France's most iconic destinations. In Paris, experience the essence of romance amidst landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, Louvre Museum, and charming streetside cafés. Delve into art, history, and Parisian elegance that epitomize the city's allure. Then, venture to Bordeaux, where rolling vineyards and world-renowned wineries await. Explore the UNESCO-listed city center, indulge in wine tastings at prestigious châteaux, and immerse yourself in the relaxed ambiance of this vibrant wine region. Combining the cosmopolitan charm of Paris with the tranquil beauty of Bordeaux's countryside, this tour offers a perfect blend of cultural exploration, culinary delights, and the finest wines, promising an unforgettable French experience.

ACCOMMODATION

CITY	HOTEL NAME	NO. OF NIGHTS
Paris	Novotel Paris Centre Tour Eiffel	3 Nights
Bordeaux	Novotel Bordeaux Centre	2 Nights



TOUR PRICE INCLUSIONS

- ◆ Round trip airfare in economy class ex-Houston (IAH) Airport
- ◆ Airport taxes and fuel surcharge
- ◆ **05 nights' accommodation at above specified hotels in standard Rooms**
- ◆ Daily breakfast
- ◆ Train tickets from Paris to Bordeaux in standard class
- ◆ Return Airport Group transfers.
- ◆ Train station transfers in Paris and Bordeaux
- ◆ Applicable taxes

TOUR PRICE EXCLUSIONS

- ◆ All other meals & other sightseeing or Services
- ◆ Gratuities for meals, tourist guides, drivers
- ◆ Porterage and baggage fees on the airline
- ◆ Visa Fee & Travel Insurance
- ◆ Any other services or Items not mentioned above as included
- ◆ Local city taxes EUR 4-7to be paid directly at hotels upon check out

ITINERARY

DAY 1 Depart Houston (IAH) [-/-/-]

Prepare yourself! You are leaving today for Paris to start your Paris explorer tour.

DAY 2 Paris Arrival [-/-/-]

Upon arrival in Paris, claim your bags and proceed towards the arrival hall. Our representative will meet you and assist you with your transfer to the hotel. (Standard check-in time is 3:00 pm)

If you have arrived early, you might like to take a stroll on the streets of Paris

Overnight in Paris

DAY 3 PARIS - Day free at leisure [B/-/-]

Morning enjoy your breakfast. You have the day to explore the city at your leisurely pace. Consider a Seine River cruise for a unique view of the city center. Drift along for a serene hour, taking in key landmarks like the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral, Hôtel de Ville, and the renowned Louvre Palace and Museum. Relax and soak in the beauty from this different vantage point.

Alternatively, pre-book one of our suggested add-ons

Add-on: 24 hour hop-on-hop-off pass including admission to Eiffel Tower - USD 161 Per person

Feel the freedom to explore the diverse facets of Paris – its historical charm, romantic allure, fashion-forward districts, entertainment hubs, and shopper's paradises – all at your leisure! With three tour routes encompassing over 37 stops at major attractions, delve into the Paris of your dreams.

Hop on and off whenever you wish, navigating the city at your own tempo. Each passenger receives personal earphones providing recorded commentary in multiple languages like English, French, Italian, Spanish, German, Portuguese, Russian, Czech, Japanese, and Chinese! Plus, relish spectacular vistas from the open

top deck – a truly distinctive and enjoyable experience offered by Open Tour.

Moreover, Open Tour extends a generous offering of complimentary walking tours in English from Opera to Notre Dame (check the Open Tour website for further details).

Here's a glimpse of the tour routes:

Blue Line: From Haussmann-Opera to Madeleine, passing through iconic landmarks like the Louvre, Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe, and more.

White Line: Covers attractions from Notre-Dame to Pont Neuf - Quai des Orfèvres, encompassing sights like Luxembourg, Montparnasse, and St Germain-des-Prés.

Red Line: Travels from Auber to Grands Boulevards - Hard Rock Café, including stops at Montmartre, Gare du Nord, and République among others.

Yellow Line: Routes from Gare de Lyon to Bastille Opera with highlights like Bastille-rue Saint Antoine and Notre Dame-Quartier latin.

Please note: The Yellow Line is unavailable from 12:40 pm to 5 pm.

Make the most of your visit at the Eiffel Tower with our skip-the-line audio-guided tour. As you ascend, delve into the marvel of this historic monument—an architectural masterpiece. Initially erected as a temporary showcase for the 1889 World Fair by Gustave Eiffel, the Iron Lady now stands as the quintessential symbol of France globally, drawing nearly 7 million visitors annually.

Upon reaching the third floor, relish an exceptional panoramic view of Paris while delving into the Tower's captivating history. Discover tales not just of the Tower itself but also of renowned Parisian landmarks like the Arc de Triomphe, the Louvre, and the Sacré-Coeur.

On your descent, don't miss the 1st floor, where you can experience the exhilarating sensation of walking on the spectacular glass floor, suspended 57 meters above ground, offering a thrilling sense of stepping into

thin air!

This flexible and extensive tour lets you curate your Parisian adventure, ensuring you experience the city's myriad attractions and neighborhoods at your own pace and in your preferred language.

Add-on: Skip the Line Louvre Museum Guided tour - USD 90 Per person

Nestled at the center of Paris, The Louvre, once a royal residence, has evolved into the planet's most expansive museums. Accompanied by your guide, you'll uncover the museum's iconic masterpieces: from Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa to the Venus de Milo and the Winged Victory of Samothrace. (Note: Hotel transfers are not provided.)

Add-on - Seine River Cruise with Dinner (Etoile service) - USD 130 Per person

Evening we have ensured a memorable night out in Paris with a gourmet dinner cruise along the Seine River. Float past the city's famed monuments, such as the Eiffel Tower, Louvre Museum, and Ile de la Cité aboard a luxury Bateaux Parisiens riverboat. Soak up the magic of Paris from an onboard dining room while enjoying a gourmet 3-course meal. Please note that Champagne and live music are also included on select 8:30 pm departures. Evening cruise along the Seine River Sip on a glass of Champagne when you board your boat (for 8:30 pm dinner cruises only) Enjoy a 3-course à la carte dinner with wine See iconic Paris attractions that line the Seine's UNESCO World Heritage-listed riverbanks.

Upgrade to Decouverte Service : USD 30 per person

This option includes a 3-course dinner cruise, a welcome glass of champagne, and white or red wine (1 bottle for 4 people).

Upgrade to Privilege Service: USD 85 Per person

This option includes a 3-course dinner cruise, an aperitif of cheese puffs and a glass of champagne, white or red wine, a cheese board, a mini-sweet selection served with coffee, and **window seating at tables for 2-4 people**.

Upgrade to Premier Service: USD 125 Per person

This option includes a 3-course dinner cruise, an aperitif of Champagne and cheese puffs, white or red wine, a cheese board, a glass of champagne with

dessert, and a mini-sweet selection with coffee. **Seating is at a round table at the bows of the boat.**

Overnight in Paris

DAY 4 Paris - Day free at leisure [B/-/-]

Another day at leisure. After breakfast, explore the City at your own pace or pre-book one of our suggested add-ons

Add-on - Half-day Tour of Palace of Versailles - USD 115 Per person

An enthralling guided tour unveiling the storied past of this magnificent Palace. Blending classic and baroque architectural elements, this palace has graced the World Heritage list for three decades. Prepare to be transported into the grandeur and regal atmosphere of King Louis XIV's court, as you explore the illustrious Hall of Mirrors, opulent Grands Apartments, and the meticulously crafted French gardens envisioned by Le Nôtre. Every facet of Versailles exudes grace, precision, and unity, presenting an authentic masterpiece of the 17th century and a profound symbol of King Louis XIV's absolute authority. Throughout his reign, the King tirelessly expanded and enhanced both the palace and its surrounding gardens, leaving an enduring legacy of elegance and opulence. (Hotel pick-up and drop-off is not included)

Add-on - Cooking Class of Macarons including transfers - USD 245 Per person (minimum 4 pax)

Experience crafting macarons, among France's beloved treats, during this class in Paris, the epitome of French culinary excellence. With guidance from a skilled instructor, you'll master the art of creating these delicacies, receiving detailed instructions to perfect your piped macarons. Select your preferred shell colors, fill them with buttercream, and delve into the cultural significance of these treats while eagerly awaiting the taste of your freshly baked creations. Enhance your experience by opting for an advanced macaron-making class.

Add-on: Evening Moulin Rouge Cabaret Show with Champagne including transfers- USD 235 Per person (Minimum 4 pax)

Experience the renowned Moulin Rouge show "Féerie," crafted by Doris Haug and Ruggero Angeletti, and choreographed by Bill Goodson, at one of the world's illustrious cabarets. Witness a spectacle featuring a troupe of 100 artists, including 60 Doris Girls, adorned in a parade of 1,000 costumes embellished with feathers, rhinestones, and sequins designed by Corrado Collabucci. Gaetano Castelli's set designs create the backdrop, accompanied by Pierre Porte's music performed by 80 musicians and 60 choral singers. Indulge in the show with the inclusion of half a bottle of Champagne, delighting in an opulent feast for both the eyes and ears. Immerse yourself in a vibrant display of colors and performances, capturing the grandeur of this iconic cabaret. Service and gratuities are encompassed within the ticket price, ensuring a seamless and fulfilling experience.

Overnight in Paris

DAY 5 PARIS - BORDEAUX [B/-/-]

Following breakfast, complete your check-out and be escorted to the train station for your journey to Bordeaux. Upon arrival in Bordeaux, you'll receive a warm welcome and transfer to your designated hotel.

The remainder of the day is yours to enjoy at your own pace. You might opt for a leisurely walk along the picturesque Garonne River, immersing yourself in its serene atmosphere and relishing the breathtaking river vistas. Alternatively, dive into Bordeaux's culinary diversity, indulging in local specialties at authentic eateries or exploring food markets for gourmet delights. As evening approaches, consider a delightful dining experience, pairing exquisite dishes with Bordeaux's finest wines at a recommended restaurant.

Overnight in Bordeaux

DAY 6 BORDEAUX - DAY IS FREE AT LEISURE [B/-/-]

You have the day to explore at your leisure. Wander through historic districts such as Saint-Pierre or Saint-Michel, taking in the architectural beauty and immersing yourself in the authentic local atmosphere. Delve into food markets like Marché des Capucins to discover exquisite gourmet delights and specialties unique to the region. Alternatively, relish the world-

class wines of Bordeaux through tasting sessions or guided tours at vineyards located in the vicinity.

Add-on: Day trip to Cognac from Bordeaux including lunch and tasting - USD 200 Per person (minimum 8 travelers)

Begin the day with an early departure from Bordeaux towards the charming town of Cognac. Upon arrival in Cognac, discover the Royal Chateau of Cognac, witness to the History of France and Maison des Cognacs Baron Otard, it is classified as a Historic Monument. Gain insights into the elaborate journey from grape cultivation through distillation to the maturation process in oak barrels. Traverse historic cellars where Cognac ages gracefully, absorbing the myriad flavors and captivating aromas that define its exceptional character. Participate in a comprehensive tasting session led by seasoned sommeliers or expert cellar masters.

During our excursion, we'll visit the Royal Castle of Cognac, dating back to its construction around the year 950. This storied place, once the residence of numerous noble families, is presently owned by descendants of two citizens who acquired it in 1795. These enterprising merchants transformed it into their cellars and established the Otard company headquarters within its walls.

A delightful lunch awaits at a restaurant renowned for its authentic and delectable cuisine. The afternoon will be dedicated to a visit to Maison Hennessy, exemplifying one of the esteemed distilleries in Cognac. This could involve Camus, Martell, Rémy Martin, or Courvoisier, contingent upon visit availability. Each institution stands as a beacon of French excellence, elevating Cognac's global acclaim.

Your return journey to Bordeaux promises the same level of comfort and convenience as your outbound trip, ensuring a seamless and enjoyable conclusion to your Cognac exploration.

Overnight in Bordeaux

DAY 7 BORDEAUX - DEPARTURE [B/-/-]

And it's time to say goodbye! Today you will be transferred to the airport for your return flight home. Thank you for spending the time with us.

Payment Policy

Deposit: US\$ 300 per person [Non-refundable / Non-transferrable]

Deposit date: 30th Jan, 2024

Second Non-refundable Deposit & date: US\$1150, by 18th Aug 2024

Full Balance: 12th October, 2024

(Once the deposit is paid, the travelers can then pay any amount on any date. Travelers to ensure that the payment deadlines are met as above)

Insurance

We encourage everyone who books a VOYAGES HUB TOURS package, regardless of age or tour choice, to obtain a travel protection plan. While you intend to take that once-in-a-lifetime trip, illness, family emergencies, and other factors can derail your best-laid plans.

VOYAGES HUB TOURS has teamed up with Travel Guard to provide a Travel Protection Plan specifically designed for U.S. residents. Feel free to email us to receive a quote, without any obligation to commit.

Cancellation Policy

- ◆ From the date of booking to 18th Aug, 2024: \$300 per person Non-Refundable / Non-transferrable Deposit + interruption insurance cost (if purchased)
- ◆ From 19th Aug to 12th Oct 2024: \$1450 per person Non-refundable / Non-transferrable Deposit will be applicable as cancellation
- ◆ If Canceled on or after 13th Oct 2024: 100% of the tour price will be applicable as cancellation.

Note: A person becoming single as a result of the roommate's cancellation must pay the single supplement

All payment cut-off dates are firm, and missing deadlines without approved extensions will result in cancellations without refunds being offered.

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