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Spotlight on the French Riviera

with Optional 3-Night Paris Post Tour Extension

April 22 – 30, 2023



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9 Days • 11 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 2 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Nice, Food Tour & Tasting, Monaco, Monte Carlo, Choice on Tour, Èze, Cannes, Saint-Honorat Island & Lérins Abbey, Grasse, Fragonard Perfumery Workshop, Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild, Nice Flower Market, St. Paul de Vence

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Overnight Flight

Days 2 – 8 Hotel Massena, Nice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Saturday, April 22, 2023 Overnight Flight It's time to live the good life and embark on a getaway to the fabulous French Riviera, or *Côte d'Azur*. With its elegant coastal resorts, superb eateries, chic boutiques and captivating museums, it's the ultimate sunny retreat for the elite. Unpack your bags just once and stay at a single hotel for your entire adventure, which begins with an overnight flight to France.

Day 2: Sunday, April 23, 2023 Nice (French Riviera), France - Tour Begins Your tour commences in the stunning city of Nice, a coastal pearl of the Mediterranean known for its legendary opulence and balmy beaches. With an average of 300 sunny days per year, Nice is a seaside paradise. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner in *Vieux Nice* featuring Mediterranean-inspired French cuisine. (D)

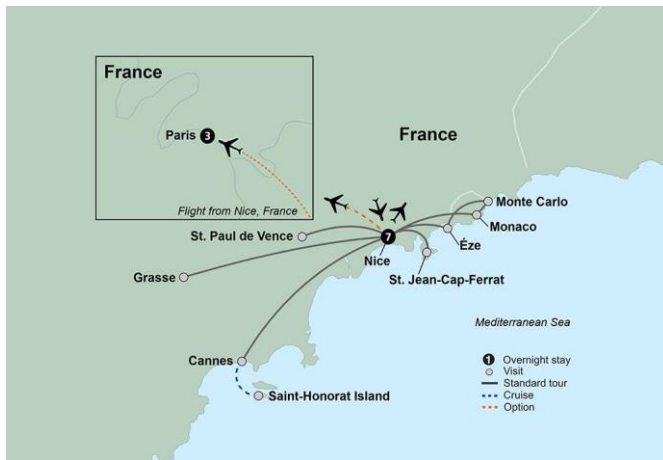
Day 3: Monday, April 24, 2023 Nice Get to know Nice with a local expert. Stroll along the lively seafront Promenade des Anglais and delve into the Old Town, sampling different treats while on a tasting tour of the city. The rest of the day is yours. Perhaps you will visit one of Nice's world-class art galleries, such as the Chagall or the Matisse Museums. Or find your favorite café for the week and soak in the local life. (B)

Day 4: Tuesday, April 25, 2023 Nice - Monaco - Monte Carlo - Èze - Nice Travel along the spectacular *Corniche* coastal road to the Principality of Monaco. On a walking tour, view the changing of the guards and visit the Cathedral of Monaco – the permanent resting place of Prince Rainier III and Princess Grace. Then **it's your choice!** Explore the tiny Principality on a panoramic Little Train tour taking you across to Monte Carlo for views of its famous Casino **-OR-** visit the Oceanographic Museum, perusing its aquarium and the collection of fossils and skeletons amassed by the great researcher Jacques Cousteau. Later, visit the charming village of Èze, perched high above the French Riviera. (B)

Day 5: Wednesday, April 26, 2023 Nice - Cannes - Saint-Honorat Island - Nice Journey to Cannes and rub elbows with Europe's elite. Walk in the footsteps of celebrities when you see the Film Festival Palace and the iconic red carpet featured during the Cannes Film Festival. During free time, explore the cobbled lanes of the *Le Suquet* neighborhood or the lively Forville farmer's market. Then, sail* across the Bay of Cannes to the tiny island of Saint-Honorat, a fortified monastery active since the Dark Ages, belonging to the monks of Lérins Abbey. Pause for lunch on the island before returning to Nice in the late afternoon. (B, L)

Day 6: Thursday, April 27, 2023 Nice - Grasse - Nice Today, learn the secrets of perfume making during a hands-on workshop and tour of the Fragonard Perfumery, where fragrant formulations have been prepared since 1782. Spend time soaking up the atmosphere of this charming town before returning to Nice for an evening at leisure. Perhaps you will join an optional excursion to a *petanque* lesson and tournament, including an open bar and some tasty snacks. (B)

Day 7: Friday, April 28, 2023 Nice - Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat - Nice Head to Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, referred to as the crown jewel of the French Riviera, where you'll visit the impressive Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild. Uncover the lush gardens replete



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with jaw-dropping views of the Mediterranean Sea. Your visit to the villa is complete with lunch served in the charming tearoom overlooking the Bay of Villefranche. Enjoy free time to relax and take in the laid-back atmosphere along the Riviera. (B, L)

Day 8: Saturday, April 29, 2023 Nice - St. Paul de Vence - Nice This morning discover Nice's famed flower market and be enchanted by brightly colored blooms and other enticing delicacies. Continue on to historic St. Paul de Vence, situated atop a hill overlooking the beautiful countryside. Explore this walled medieval village, soaking in its distinctive light said to have inspired Matisse, Braque, Chagall and other artists. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip. (B, D)

Day 9: Sunday, April 30, 2023 Nice - Tour Ends Depart for home with many wonderful memories of your journey through the Cote d'Azur. (B)

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Oct 23, 2022, valid on air inclusive packages only.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel after January 2023, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS travel authorization, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of purchasing these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

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*The Saint-Honorat Island cruise operates weather permitting and is dependent on sea conditions.

Effective immediately and through December 31, 2022 tour departures, **we require all guests to be fully vaccinated in order to participate in this tour.** Although destination entry requirements may differ, if you are unvaccinated, you will not be able to join us on this tour. All guests are required to bring proof of vaccination (official vaccination certificate in paper) on tour.

Destination-specific information may change frequently and without prior notice. It is very important that you **frequently check the entry/exit requirements for destination(s) visited on this tour**, to ensure that you are aware of any changes that may be applicable to your travel plans, including right up to your departure.

Please refer to our Online Travel Requirements Resource page www.gocollette.com/en/landing-pages/2021/online-travel-requirements-resource for detailed information.

All returning travelers to the US must complete a signed Attestation Requirement either in electronic form or paper copy. A paper copy of the form will also be provided to travelers or you may visit www.cdc.gov/quarantine/pdf/Fillable-Attestation-English-p.pdf for a copy.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. In particular, your visits of Monaco, Èze, the Gardens of Villa Rothschild and St. Paul de Vence village involve negotiating some steep inclines over cobblestones, gravel or multiple flights of steps. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motor coaches, especially in historic areas such as the Old Town of Nice, Monaco, Èze, Saint-Honorat Island and St. Paul de Vence. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes. If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may not be able to access some of these areas and may want to consider an alternate program with us. Our travel counselors can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect trip for you.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

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



A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of October 16, 2022 are based upon availability. Final payment due by February 21, 2023. Deposits are refundable up until October 23, 2022.

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Day 9: Nice (French Riviera) - Paris

Head to the airport this morning for your flight to the French Capital. In less than 2 hours, you'll be in Paris, the "City of Light." For dinner, get a taste of the city's local flavors at a Parisian bistro, situated at the base of the Eiffel Tower. As the day draws to a close, admire the city from a relaxing sightseeing cruise, passing by illuminated landmarks as you drift softly along the Seine. Settle into your hotel, just steps away from the Eiffel Tower. *Today dinner will be included.*

Day 10: Paris

Step into a time gone by as you slide into the backseat of a vintage retro car. Your driver-guide will pick you up at your hotel, providing commentary on the Parisian boulevards as you see some of the city's most famous sights. After your drive, visit the highly acclaimed Musée D'Orsay and enjoy your included ticket to this former railroad station, which now houses some of the world's best impressionist art. Take advantage of an afternoon at leisure to explore on your own. Perhaps you'll browse the shops of L'Opéra district, where you'll have time to peruse luxury Parisian retailers or take a stroll down the Champs-Élysées and pause at a local café for some people watching. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 11: Paris

It's your last day in Paris – how will you spend it? Perhaps you'll explore Le Marais. This trendy district abounds with winding streets, gorgeous old mansions and independent boutiques. Meander through the flourishing trees and bright grassy patches of Place des Vosges, the oldest planned town square in all of Paris. Or maybe you'll hop on the metro and spend time in the hip bohemian neighborhood of Montmartre. No matter how you spend your day – you'll get a true taste of the Parisian lifestyle. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 12: Paris - Depart for Home

Wish Paris goodbye as you transfer to the airport for your flight home. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Please Note:

The internal flight on this extension is not included in the land price. All air, including internal flights, can be purchased through us.

During this extension, you can expect to have a **hosted** experience or two, with a local representative revealing more of what this destination has to offer. Enjoy a mix of independent exploration and guided sightseeing and experiences.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

Due to fair periods in Paris, the rate of this extension may be higher on certain dates. Please enquire about rates and availability at time of booking.

The overall activity level of this extension is a level 2. This means you feel confident walking at least 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains – from cobblestones streets to easy pathways; a couple of hills or a few flights of stairs.