

Finding France

TAILOR-MADE PRIVATE TOURS
OFF THE BEATEN TRACK



STAY SAFE WITH FINDING FRANCE

You'll travel in a private minibus that is exclusively reserved for you during the entire trip.

We pick you up at your doorstep and drop you off at the location of your choice.

Your guide will be with you for the duration of the trip; he or she is also your private chauffeur.

Physical contact is limited to the strict minimum.

Workshops and meet-ups are organized exclusively for you and your group.

We follow all necessary procedures to ensure your protection and comply with all local and national sanitary regulations currently recommended: vehicle disinfected daily, masks, hydro-alcoholic gel, disinfectant wipes and gloves are provided by us as well.

Any bookings cancelled due to Covid-19 will be refunded.

In & around Paris

Ah, Paris, the city of Romance! An incredible collection of French Art de Vivre, epitome of French Heritage, gastronomy and know-how. Baguette, cheese and wine, Sacred Heart and Eiffel Tower... each of these words immediately brings Paris and France to mind. With Finding France, you'll discover Paris in a truly novel manner. We pair tourism with responsibility as we introduce you to wonderful local artisans. With circuits for small groups planned with and for you from 1 to 15 days, we'll make sure your stay will open the gates of Paris for you in a way crafted to match your dreams.

Here is what 7 days starting from Paris could feel like:

- DAY 1: Tour of the city, baguette and chocolate
- DAY 2: Museums, wines and cheese
- DAY 3: Perfume, paintings and cabarets
- DAY 4: Versailles and Chartres
- DAY 5: Fontainebleau and Barbizon
- DAY 6: Senlis and Chantilly
- DAY 7: Gerberoy-Beauvaisis





7 DAY TOUR

Discover Paris and its surroundings

Suggested itinerary for 7 days in Paris. Departures depend on the availability of producers and artisans

DAY 1: TOUR OF THE CITY, BAGUETTE AND CHOCOLATE

MORNING

- Admire the major monuments of Paris through a city tour in a top-tier airconditioned van. Louvre, Concorde, Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe, Tour Eiffel, Invalides, Trocadéro, Montmartre, Notre Dame (from the outside only).
- Lunch in a friendly “eat local” restaurant that promotes seasonal cooking.

AFTERNOON

- Master the secrets of succeeding to bake the iconic baguette with Benoît, a baker passionate about his art, in his small-scale bakery at the heart of Ménilmontant.
- Meet Christophe, a master Chocolatier, in his workshop where you'll taste his surprising and tantalizingly tasty creations.
- Dine in a restaurant served by a chef pioneering cuisine in the “Slow Food” spirit, for a healthy, savory and fair diet.
- Spend the night in an exceptional guest house or even a luxury boathouse moored at the heart of Paris.

AVAILABLE OPTIONS

Extend the stay in the area for one day

- Meet Marie, a woman pastry chef, who will teach you to bake perfect creamy-crunchy macaroons in her very own workshop. Definitely a one-of-a-kind lesson in French Cuisine. You'll be astounded by the taste of your work!
- Learn to fold and bake croissants with a pastry chef.
- Meet local producers at a farmer's market (vegetables, cheesemakers, florists...).
- On the rooftops of Paris, discover an organic urban farm, a state-of-the-art design that follows and nurtures nature's seasonal rhythm.
- By night, visit the world's largest fresh produce market.
- Luxury leatherwork: visit a workshop that produces top-of-the-line items and learn leatherworking techniques. You'll make your very own item from the best leather in the world (handbag, belt, wallet, keyring).
- Visit the Invalides palace and appraise the detail of models that represent France's main fortifications at the Plans-Reliefs museum.



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DAY 2: MUSEUMS, WINES AND CHEESE

MORNING

- Visit a museum of your choice (Louvre, Orangerie, Georges-Pompidou/Beaubourg Center...)
- Lunch in a famous Paris brewery.

AFTERNOON

- Meet up with Pierre, an impassioned Master Cheesemaker, who will teach you to make cheese and butter as you taste his surprisingly fresh products.
- Take a break in a café with a unique touch.
- Practice the art of wine-tasting with Aurélien, sommelier in the Caves du Louvre, as you sample excellent wines in that XVIIIth century royal cellar.
- Dine and rest in an exceptional guest house for the night.



AVAILABLE OPTIONS

Extend the stay in the area for one day

- VIP tour of the Gobelins Manufacture and its exclusive workshops where, for instance, the tapestries for the historical buildings of the Republic's highest government offices are produced.
- Visit the workshops of the Monnaie de Paris, heritage of French know-how where coins, medals and jewelry of all types are forged.
- Underground tour in the mysterious Catacombs of Paris.
- Enter the world of silk flower-making in workshops that craft unique works of art highlighted in the most fashionable creations of Paris Haute Couture.



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DAY 3: PERFUME, PAINTINGS AND CABARETS

MORNING

- Create a unique perfume just for you in the house of a famous perfume designer, set in the world's most beautiful avenue.
- Lunch with local inhabitants, a friendly atmosphere where you'll learn all about the quirks of life and history in Paris.

AFTERNOON

- Wander around the narrow sidestreets of Montmartre and discover its unexpected vineyard, where the "Clos de Montmartre" vintage is brought to being. This exceptionally rare vineyard only produces 500 liters of wine a year. It cannot be sold or purchased: it is offered in return for a donation made to local neighborhood charities.
- Dine in a cozy Montmartre restaurant.
- Spend the night in a charming guest house.

AVAILABLE OPTIONS

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- Revel in the friendly atmosphere of a small traditional cabaret, as was experienced in the XIXth century.
- Visit the UNESCO site and admire its unique collection of hundreds of modern art masterpieces.
- The Molitor Swimming Pool welcomes you, for a swim of course, and especially for the facility itself, transformed into true works of art.
- Meet a Master glass worker in his workshop and understand the timeless knowledge that goes into making stained glass windows.
- Visit the fabulous Ecoen castle and the Renaissance museum it houses.
- Follow in the footsteps of pop-star of old Dalida and see where she used to live.
- The eccentric museum of Salvador Dali is sure to reach deep inside your soul.
- Chat and share with an independent Montmartre painter.



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DAY 4: VERSAILLES AND CHARTRES

MORNING

- Sideline the crowd and discover Versailles in a new way, by meeting vegetable growers still active in King Louis the XIVth's Royal Vegetable Gardens, near the castle. You'll find amazing heirloom vegetables and fruits, rare squash and more, all grown following royal guidelines dating back to the XVIIth century, a time when organic agriculture wasn't even a choice but common practice. Prestigious Michelin-star chefs get their supplies there, such as Simone Zanoni who commands the kitchens in the George V palace.
- Lunch savoring fresh local produce.

AFTERNOON

- Amble through historic Chartres downtown, with its amazing cathedral and crypt – the largest in France – that date back to the XIIth century.
- Meet Jacques, Master Glassworker, in his workshop as he creates custom stained glass items.
- Dine in a restaurant.
- Overnight in a "French style" lodge, a charming guest house.



AVAILABLE OPTIONS

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- Visit the majestic Versailles Castle itself, and its astonishing gardens imagined by André Le Nôtre, Royal Gardener for King Louis the XIVth.
- Experience wonder and awe during the night show at the Versailles Castle: each fountain in the garden offers a unique perspective with lighting and special effects.
- In the evening, visit the Chartres cathedral, where light paints poetic patterns on the facade.
- By night, visit a surprising castle and explore its dungeon.
- Visit the Saint-Pierre de Chartres church, a monument dating back to the XVIth century.



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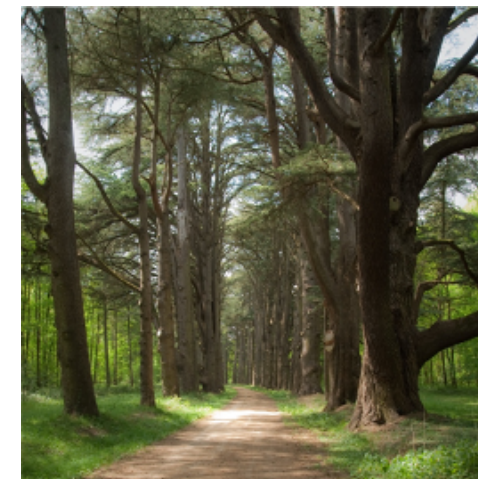
DAY 5: FONTAINEBLEAU AND BARBIZON

MORNING

- Visit the Fontainebleau castle, true palace fit for Kings, now honored as a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Lunch in a brewery.

AFTERNOON

- Discover Barbizon, a village home to many artists of the Impressionist movement.
- Walk or ride bicycles through the Fontainebleau forest, one of the largest Nature Reserves of France.
- Dinner in a fine-dining restaurant.
- Overnight in a charming guest house surrounded by nature.



AVAILABLE OPTIONS

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- Visit an ecosite that promotes sustainable, environmental and human change to match the challenges of our time.
- Discover a horse-racing track.
- Visit stables of the Napoleonic army.
- Ride through a forest on a dog-sleigh.
- Float over the majestic Fontainebleau forest in a hot-air balloon.
- Learn how to play the "Jeu de Paume".
- Savor delicious local cheeses.



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DAY 6: SENLIS AND CHANTILLY

MORNING

- Private guided tour of Senlis, a medieval city. Visit the XIIIth century gothic cathedral, built at the same time as Notre Dame in Paris was.
- Meet Yvon, master pastry chef and chocolatier in Senlis. Taste his creations.
- Lunch in Chantilly in a gourmet restaurant where you'll taste local specialties, among which the famous Chantilly cream.

AFTERNOON

- Visit the Chantilly castle and the private apartments of the Duke of Aumale, son of Louis-Philippine, last king of France and former owner of the castle.
- Dine in a restaurant.
- Spend the night in a traditional guest house.

AVAILABLE OPTIONS

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- Savor a glass of champagne in a XIIIth century Cluny cloister with a breathtaking view of a medieval roman-gothic style abbey.
- Learn to whip the famous Crème Chantilly and compose your dessert.
- Join in on a farmer's market.
- Take a stroll in the Prince's vegetable patch.
- Meet a traditional baker in Senlis.
- Visit the "Grande Ecuries" master stables and the Chantilly live horse museum.
- Go horseback-riding or ride bicycles in the Chantilly forest.
- VIP tour of the Chantilly horse racetrack.
- Visit the Chantilly lace museum.
- Marvel at the royal abbeys of Royaumont and Chaalis.
- Discover "Gustave's houses", a man who builds eco-friendly habitats from wood.



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DAY 7: GERBEROY-BEAUVAISIS

MORNING

- Meet Hervé, an independent baker, and savor his incredible organic loaves of bread baked with natural yeast in wood-fired ovens, and make your own bread.
- Discover the traditional cheese-making workshop of Anselme, a passionate artisan, and taste his specialty: "Tome au Foin", a cheese aged in locally harvested hay.
- Lunch in a "eat local" gourmet restaurant that promotes seasonal cooking.

AFTERNOON

- Meet Jean-Paul, a vintner friend who shares his passion in vineyards located in the medieval town of Gerberoy, one of the "Most Beautiful villages of France". Taste his wines.
- Lunch will let you savor typical local produce.
- Overnight in a charming guest house.



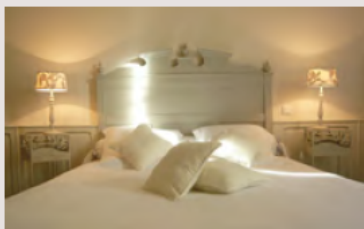
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- Gap at the incredible chance of XIIIth century Saint-Pierre de Beauvais church, the highest in gothic style in the world.
- Admire the accuracy of the astronomical clock inside the church, wherein 90,000 individual pegs and cogs turn in time with animated figures.
- Discover the abbey of Saint-Germer-de-Fly, with its XIIIth century Sainte Chapelle, a copy of the one built in Paris under the reign of Saint Louis, king of France.
- Meet the owners of an ancient XVIIth century manor with a guided tour of the private gardens.

Experience the French "art de vivre"

At Finding France we offer a unique selection of elegant, family friendly B&B's.



Example of French-style accommodation. Non-contractual photo.



RATES FOR A DAY TRIP DEPARTING FROM PARIS (8 AM TO 8 PM):

Starting at **\$250 USD** (VAT included) per person for a 4-person reservation.
What's included:

- Private bilingual chauffeur-guide (English French).
- Transportation in a top-notch air-conditioned vehicle, Wifi included.
- Travel to and from your place of residence in Paris + pick-up and transfer from Roissy CDG, Orly, or Le Bourget airports.
- Lunch.
- Tasting and samples when visiting local producers (wine, cheese, pastries...)
- Unlimited bottled water.
- All entrance fees and VIP access to all events and activities described in the itinerary.
- Fees for a local guide when visiting certain historical sites.
- Finding France 24/7 emergency assistance.



RATES FOR AN ALL- INCLUSIVE TRIP DEPARTING FROM PARIS:

Starting at **\$500 USD** (VAT included) per person per day for a 4-person reservation. Lower rates for larger groups. Add-on for single room lodging: starting at \$150 USD (VAT included) per person per day.

What's included:

Night stays in quality, labeled guest houses or typical hotels.

All meals (breakfast, lunch, dinner).

All wines from our excellent selection (excluding vintage years and Grand Crus) at meal time.

All non-alcohol beverages, including unlimited bottled water (replenished daily).

All tasting and samples when visiting local producers (wine, cheese, pastries...)

All entrance fees and VIP access to all events and activities described in the itinerary.
Private driver-guide.

Transportation in a top-notch air-conditioned vehicle, Wifi included.

Fees for a local guide when visiting certain historical sites.

Private vehicle for pick-up and transfer to or from Roissy CDG, Orly, or Le Bourget airports.

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A WORD ABOUT YOUR GUIDE...

Bonjour ! My name is Clement, I look forward to introducing you to the wonderful sights, skilled artisans and places I love throughout our journey. During the trip I will share with you the rich history of the places that we visit, introduce you to the local cuisine and, if you are interested, some of our most beloved French songs too! Every step of the way, I will do my best to meet all your needs and expectations.

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All-inclusive private tours from anywhere in France

◆
*Accommodation in privately-owned châteaux
or charming boutique hotels*

◆
Exceptional local culinary experiences

◆
Reservations at Michelin-starred restaurants

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Private bilingual chauffeur-guide (English/French)

◆
Comfortable air-conditioned vehicle with WIFI



DREAMING OF DISCOVERING FRANCE?

Each region bequeaths us with a unique cultural heritage, unparalleled talent and craftsmanship, and gourmet specialty cuisine that cannot be found anywhere else.

*Traveling in France is, above all, striving to meet the soul of a land.
Cared for by passionate men and women.*

We offer an unforgettable and prestigious trip customized to match your dreams.

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