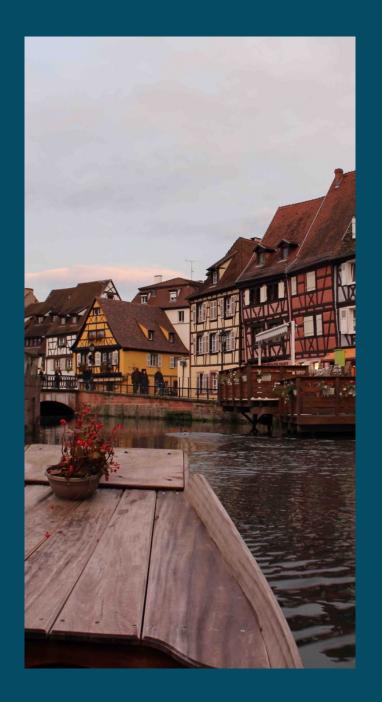
# Alsace

Alsace is like a dream come true. Christmas season seems to blend with fairy tails as gingerbread men and sugar cane sweets abound... Storks still bring babies to their parents here, and benevolent mountaintop castles watch over the peace and joy of their subjects... Finding France can offer you a fabulous stay in Alsace. You'll be reaping the best of both worlds: a one-of-a-kind experience and responsible tourism. With circuits planned from 2 to 6 days, we'll organize the travel with and for you to make sure your custom travel experience populates your dreams with joy for decades.

Here is what 3 days starting from Paris could feel like:

- DAY 1: Reims, Strasbourg and its Christmas market
- DAY 2: Colmar and the Haut-Koenigsbourg castle
- DAY 3: Eguisheim and Munster







Suggested itinerary for 3 days in Alsace. Departures depend on the availability of producers and artisans

#### DAY 1: REIMS, STRASBOURG AND ITS CHRISTMAS MARKET

#### MORNING

- On the way to Alsace, uncover the treasures of Reims.
   Architectural masterpiece or light tingling champagne bubbles, what's your pick?
- Over lunch, meet Jean, a glass blower. He'll blow you away with his red-hot talent and bubbling joyful temper!

#### **AFTERNOON**

- Strasbourg by night stroll in the light-studded historical city: the "Petite France", the Cathedral... and of course the wonder associated with the oldest traditional Christmas market in France!
- For dinner, you'll discover the abundant generosity of local cuisine.
- Spend the night in a typical and quaint guest house.



#### **AVAILABLE OPTIONS**

Extend the stay in the area for one day

- Visit a prestigious cellar in Reims or Épernay, for instance: Moët & Chandon and Dom Pérignon or Pommery or Mercier) and sample their champagne.
- Meet a small independant champagne producer in his family's compound.
- The Crystal Museum will enthrall you, especially while talking with Master Glassmakers at the Cristallerie.
- Strasbourg on wheels: ride bicycles to get around the city, the only in France to have as many bike lanes and bike fans!



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#### DAY 2: COLMAR AND THE HAUT-KOENIGSBOURG CASTLE

#### **MORNING**

- Gertwiller is the hometown of gingerbread. Taste the magic of Christmas in a museum that will, for sure, bring back childhood memories. Michel, the owner, will let you peek around the workshop where he bakes and makes his creations.
- Get to know Alain, an independent vintner who will walk you through the steps and secrets of wine-making and let you taste the wines he creates from the grapes of his vineyard.
- Together with the wines, you'll be treated to a platter of local delicatessen as a host of the family.

#### **AFTERNOON**

- Reach the towering Haut-Koenigsburg medieval fort, built at an altitude of 757 meters (nearly 2,500 feet).
   Marvel at the landscape and scenery as you take in all of the Alsace plains.
- Find that perfect gift for your loved one in the Colmar Christmas market, bustling with joy and a definite touch of fairy-like dreams.
- Savor typical and delicious meals from local produce.
- Spend a restful night in a heart-warming guesthouse.



**AVAILABLE OPTIONS**Extend the stay in the area for one day

- Wonderful Colmar by night in a small boat.
- Meet Pierre and Jean, two innovative vintners who produce exceptional wine using techniques inspired by biodynamics. Their house and facilities are energy passive and storage is environment-friendly. Taste their original and subtle creations.
- Learn about tradition life in Alsace in France's largest open-air museum. Meet talented smithies and visit their workshops: blacksmith, barrel maker, wickerworker, cobbler, barber, baker, wheelwright, potter, saddler.





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#### **DAY 3: EGUISHEIM AND MUNSTER**

#### **MORNING**

- In Eguisheim, you'll find one of the most authentic Alsace Christmas markets set in one of the most beautiful villages of France! Meet its artisans and local producers.
- Follow the 5-Castle-Road and reach Munster, a tiny Alsace village nestled at the heart of the Vosges mountain range.
- Lunch in a farm on home-made cheese, cold meat delicatessen and home-baked bread.

#### **AFTERNOON**

- Willy, master pastry chef, will teach you to weave and bake your very own pretzels!
- Dinner and an evening stroll in the magnificent historical downtown Troyes center, with its colorful wood-beam houses and the magnificent stained glass windows of the cathedral.



**AVAILABLE OPTIONS** 

Extend the stay in the area for one day

- VIP access to the cheese-making facilities of the famous Munster cheese!
- Meet a glass carver in Eguisheim and carve your own Christmas glass ornament.
- Beautiful nature walk or bicycle ride along the ridges near the Grand Ballon mountain pass, in the Vosges mountains.
- On the way back to Paris, stopover in the city of Vittel, with its pristine bottled water known throughout the planet.

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