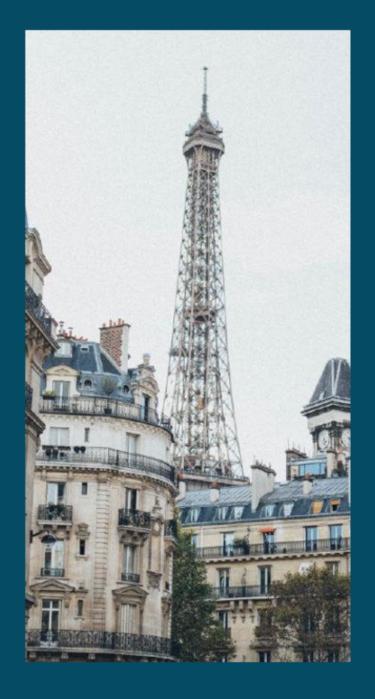
Finding France

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
- <u>DAY 7: Gerberoy-Beauvaisis</u>





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, Eiffel tour, Invalides, Trocadéro, Montmartre, Notre Dame (from the outside only).
- Lunch in a friendly "eat local" restaurant that promotes seasonal cooking.

AFTERNOON

- Meet Marie, a woman pastry chef, who will teach you to bake perfect creamy-crunchy macaroons and Baguette 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!
- 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

- Learn to fold and bake croissants with a pastry chef.
- Meet local producers at a farmer's market (vegetables, cheesemakers, florists...).
- 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.
- On the rooftops of Paris, discover an organic urban farm, a state-ofthe-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-ofthe-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 XVIIth century royal cellar.
- Dine and rest in an exceptional guest house for the night.



AVAILABLE OPTIONS

- 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 knowhow where coins, medals and jewelry of all types are forged.
- Underground tour in the mysterious Catacombs of Paris.
- Enter the world of silk flowermaking 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 worlds 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 purchase: 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

- 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 Ecouen 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

- 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

- 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 dogsleiah.
- 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 XIIth 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

- Savor a glass of champagne in a XIIth 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.



AVAILABLE OPTIONS

- Gap at the incredible chancel 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 centuray manor with a guided tour of the private gardens.

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