Finding France

In & around Paris

Ah Paris, the city of Romance! An incredible collection of French art de vivre, the epitome of French heritage, gastronomy and knowhow. Baguettes, cheese and wine; the Sacred Heart Basilica and the Eiffel Tower... each of these immediately evokes the emblematic city of Paris. With Finding France, you'll discover Paris in a truly novel manner. We propose a responsible tourism approach as we introduce you to wonderful local artisans. With tailor-made itineraries that we will craft together (1 to 15 days), we will make sure your stay will open the gates of Paris for you in a way you never would have imagined!

Here is our recommended itinerary for 7-day and 6-night tour:

- DAY 1: Local producers at the market and Macarons cooking class
- DAY 2: Artisan jewelry designer and the world of French luxury
- DAY 3: Cheesemaker and wine tasting in a cellar under the Louvre
- DAY 4: Stained-glass artist and Chartres cathedral
- DAY 5: Catacombs and Chantilly whipped cream class
- DAY 6: Baker and winemaker in one of the most beautiful villages in France
- DAY 7: World's oldest auction house and an art gallery owner





local producers at the market and Macarons cooking class

DAY 1

MORNING

- Meet local producers at a farmer's market (vegetables, cheesemakers, florists...).
- If you are interested, we extend the morning with a cooking class (and lunch!) with a Chef using fresh products selected earlier at the market or a picnic in a beautiful setting.

AFTERNOON

 Meet a pastry chef who will teach you to bake the perfect macarons in her pastry shop. A one-of-a-kind lesson in the delicate art of French patisserie. You'll be astounded by the taste of your work!



AVAILABLE OPTIONS*

Instead of the suggested activities in the main itinerary

- Admire Parisian architecture during a private city tour in a comfortable, air-conditioned touring vehicle. We can make stops at the Louvre, Place de la Concorde, the Champs-Élysées boulevard, the Arc de Triomphe, the Eiffel Tower, Invalides, Trocadéro, and Notre Dame Cathedral (outside only).
- Master the secrets of the iconic baguette or buttery croissants with a baker passionate about his art, in his intimate workshop.





MORNING

- Meet Eleonore, an artisan jewelry designer in her workshop who works with the most famous luxury houses of the Place Vendôme.
 For her, pieces of jewelry are true "guardians of feelings" that become vectors through time.
- Admire the architecture of the great French luxury houses in and around the famous Place Vendôme: LOUIS-VUITTON, DIOR, CHANEL...

AFTERNOON

 Visit the Louis-Vuitton Foundation museum and its incredible structure designed by Frank Gehry. The Foundation promotes contemporary and historical art and hosts collections of various artists and icons of modern art, such as the Morozov collection.



AVAILABLE OPTIONS*

Instead of the suggested activities in the main itinerary

- VIP tour of an old-fashioned glove maker's workshop in one of the most beautiful covered passages in Paris
- Luxury leatherwork
 experience: visit a workshop
 that produces top-of-the line items and learn
 leatherworking techniques
 (handbag, belt, wallet,
 keyring).



Cheesemaker and wine tasting in a cellar under the Couvre

DAY 3

MORNING

 Go behind the scenes of a cheese factory and understand the French cheese-making process.

AFTERNOON

 Practice the art of wine-tasting with a sommelier in the Caves du Louvre, as you sample excellent wines



AVAILABLE OPTIONS*

Instead of the suggested activities in the main itinerary

- Revel in the friendly atmosphere of a small traditional cabaret, as was experienced in the 19th century.
- Discover the works of a Montmartre painter.





Stained-glass artist and Chartres cathedral

MORNING

 Meet Christine, a Master glassworker and stained-glass artist in her workshop and discover the timeless craftsmanship that goes into making stained glass windows.

AFTERNOON

 Amble through historic Chartres downtown, with its amazing cathedral and crypt – the largest in France – that date back to the 12th century.

AVAILABLE OPTIONS*

Instead of the suggested activities in the main itinerary

- Visit the majestic Palace of Versailles, and its incredible gardens designed by André Le Nôtre, Royal Gardener for Louis XIV.
- Experience the amazing night show at the Palace of Versailles (summer only)
- Visit the Saint-Pierre de Chartres church, a monument dating back to the 16th century.





DAY 5

MORNING

- Visit of a 13th century private property, the former Cluny Priory with intriguing catacombs dug by hand by Benedictine monks in medieval times
- Savor a glass of champagne in a 12th century Cluny cloister with a breathtaking view of a medieval roman-gothic style abbey.

AFTERNOON

 Meet Hervé, a Pastry Chef, for a Chantilly cream cooking class at the chateau of Chantilly that belonged to the Duke of Aumale, son of the last king of France and former owner of the chateau.



AVAILABLE OPTIONS*

Instead of the suggested activities in the main itinerary

- Private guided tour of Senlis,
 a medieval city. Visit the
 12th century gothic
 cathedral, built at the same
 time as Notre Dame in Paris.
- Visit of Chantilly including the "Grande Ecuries" master stables and the Chantilly live horse museum and the Chantilly lace museum.
- Guided visit of the royal abbey Chaalis dating from the 12th century. Possibility of participating in a perfume workshop.





Baker & winemaker in one of the most beautiful villages

DAY 6

MORNING

 Meet Hervé, an experienced baker, and savor his incredible loaves of organic bread baked with natural yeast in wood-fired ovens...and then make your own!

AFTERNOON

 Meet Jean-Paul, a vintner who shares his passion for vineyards located in the medieval town of Gerberoy, named one of the "Most Beautiful villages of France." Wine tasting to follow.

AVAILABLE OPTIONS*

Instead of the suggested activities in the main itinerary

- Visit the 13th century
 Beauvais Cathedral (the
 tallest gothic-style cathedral
 in the world) with its
 incredible chancel and
 astronomical clock (90,000
 individual pegs and cogs
 turn in time with animated
 figures!).
- Meet the owners of a 17th century manor with a guided tour of their private gardens.





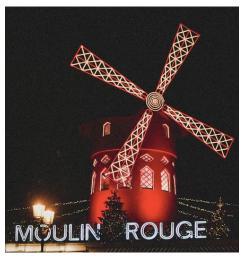
DAY 7

MORNING

 Attend a sale at DROUOT, the world's oldest auction house, and wander through the halls where more than 3,000 sales take place each year.

AFTERNOON

- Meet an art gallery owner who used to work at Sotheby's and Christie's and is now an independent art dealer. Visit his intimate gallery where his former clients and current clients - who he advises in their collections can come to discuss paintings, drawings and sculpture.
- Enjoy a champagne tasting in a luxury Parisian hotel (the Crillon, George V, the Ritz, or Meurice depending on availability for your tour dates)



AVAILABLE OPTIONS*

Instead of the suggested activities in the main itinerary

- Take in a lively show at the famous Moulin Rouge.
- Meet an artist, engraver and silkscreen printer. Take a behind-the-scenes tour of his printmaking studio in front of the Louvre Museum.
- Sail along the Seine river in a private boat while sipping an apéritif and watching Paris go by.

Lunching and Dining

At Finding France, we strive to provide you with exceptional dining experiences suited to your particulier tastes. If you choose to include meals in your tour*, we will plan out together the types and standing of restaurants that you would like to try so that your experience is unforgettable!



















Example of restaurants and experiences. Non-contractual photos.

*Breakfast is included in the price of all packages; lunch and dinner are optional.

Experience the French "art de vivre"

At Finding France, we offer you a unique selection of elegant boutique hotels.

















Example of accommodation. Non-contractual photo.

Travel in intimate, private groups, starting from 2 persons.

Discover the France of your dreams – from the destinations we offer, you decide which to visit and how long your stay at each should last.

Booking your travel experience through Finding France ensures authentic relationships with local artisans and directly supports the local economy.

A WORD FROM THE FOUNDER...

CLÉMENT DECRÉ

Finding France arose from an intuition that visiting France in a more authentic and friendly manner was possible. Time is precious, and taking the time is the true meaning of leisure.

Whether you travel as a couple, as a family, or with friends, my endeavor to serve comes from the heart.

My goal is for you to create lasting memories – all in your own time.







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STAY SAFE WITH FINDING FRANCE

The health and safety of our guests is of utmost importance to us.

Our private tours are designed to preserve your social bubble against Covid-19.

We implement stringent safety measures to protect you against Covid-19.

Daily disinfection of the vehicle with a virucidal agent, face masks and hydro-alcoholic gel provided everyday, whenever requested. Once you are in France, we pick you up at your doorstep and drop you off after the tour at the location of your choice.

Physical contact is limited to the strict minimum.

Given the constant evolution of the epidemic, we recommend that all guests review their own country's local travel guidance and health advisories, as issued by health authorities, related to this outbreak.

Please click the link below leading to the France Diplomacy website. It details all entrance requirements for foreign travellers:

https://www.diplomatie.gouv.fr/en/coming-to-france/coronavirus-advice-for-foreign-nationals-in-france/