



Dear JHU Alumni and Friends,

Join us on a special 15-day tour through provincial France. Traversing the country from south to north, your small group will enjoy breathtaking scenery, stay in charming hotels and inns, and visit unspoiled villages.

Begin in Toulouse and see the longest city walls in Europe at medieval Carcassonne. Travel to the Dordogne region to tour the famous Caves at Lascaux II and take a leisurely river cruise. In the fabled Loire Valley, visit the beautiful château of Chenonceau. Further north in Normandy, tour the Gothic abbey at Mont-St-Michel and discover medieval Bayeux. Spend a day exploring the famous D-Day landing beaches and the American Cemetery overlooking Omaha Beach in Colleville. Walk amid Monet's glorious gardens in Giverny before concluding your journey in iconic Paris. An optional 3-day/2-night post-tour extension in Paris is also available for those wishing to spend more time in the "City of Light."

We are pleased to be sharing this departure with alumni and friends of Washington University in St. Louis. Space is limited to 24 guests in total from both our schools, and will fill quickly. Please call today to reserve your place!

Sincerely,

Marguerite I. Jones, A&S '74, Bus '88
Travel Program Director
Office of Alumni Relations

JHU RESERVATION FORM: PROVINCIAL FRENCH COUNTRYSIDE

Enclosed is my/our deposit for \$_____(\$500 per person) for ____ person/people on **Provincial French Countryside** departing **June 12, 2017**. I/we understand the final payment is due 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. Please make check payable to **Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.** and mail check (along with completed registration form) to: **Odysseys Unlimited, Attn: Special Interest Groups, One Newton Place, 275 Washington Street, Suite 300, Newton, MA 02458. Or phone in your reservation to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. at (toll-free) 888-370-6765, or fax reservation form to 617-454-9199. For Johns Hopkins related questions, please call 800-548-5481 or 410-516-0363.**

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Please book my air/our from _____ I/we request a Business Class upgrade

I will share a room with _____ I request a single room (limited availability)

Post-Tour "Paris - On Your Own" Extension: Please sign me/us up

Please Note: The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for **Provincial French Countryside, June 12-26, 2017**, and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms & Conditions.

Signature(s) _____ Date _____

Method of Payment Check American Express Discover MasterCard VISA

Account # _____ Security Code _____ Exp. Date _____

Name of Cardholder _____

Signature _____

Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due 95 days prior to departure, and is payable by check or credit card.

Eligibility: One member of the traveling party is required to make a sustaining financial contribution of \$50 or more to the Johns Hopkins Alumni Association within the fiscal year. Please visit alumni.jhu.edu/support.

Note: A small portion of the cost of your trip supports the Johns Hopkins Alumni Travel Program.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a \$500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

Not Included in Tour Price

Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas, if required; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; optional sightseeing; gratuities to our Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per day per traveler); and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline prior to departure.

Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes

If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon our receipt of your written notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: **Cancel 95 days or more before departure: \$200 charge; Cancel 94-95 days before departure: 25% of tour price; Cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price; Cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; Cancel 29-0 days before departure: No refund.** If a guest makes any changes to their reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a \$100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. **No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure.**

Upon reservation you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, your date of birth, and your gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.

Responsibility

The University is not the Tour Operator. The liability of the University, as sponsor, and Odysseys Unlimited Inc., as tour operator, is strictly limited. Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. purchases transportation, hotel accommodations, restaurant and other services from independent suppliers not under our control. We serve only as agents for these suppliers in securing tour arrangements, and therefore will not accept responsibility for wrongful, negligent, or arbitrary acts or omissions of these independent contractors, or of their employees, agents, servants, or representatives. The University and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. are not liable for injury, damage, loss, accident, or delay that may be caused by events not within our control, including, without limitation, acts of terrorism, war, strikes, the defect of any vehicle, or the negligence or default of any third party. All coupons, receipts, and tickets issued are subject to the terms and conditions specified by the air carriers, cruise line, and other independent suppliers. We will make every effort to operate our tours as planned, but we reserve the right to make itinerary changes as necessary. If unforeseen circumstances require us to change a hotel, we will select alternative accommodations of the same or better quality.

Health and Medical Issues

We request that you be in good health to participate in this Odysseys Unlimited tour. There is a reasonable amount of walking, and you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and slips on your own. We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that our itineraries cannot accommodate wheelchair users. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, the University and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

Air Transportation – Important Information

Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. includes in its tour price round-trip economy air from your home city to your final tour destination and contracts with those airlines the company feels provide the level of service, routings, and value necessary for your entire trip. While another airline may offer a more direct connection, it may be at a price unavailable at the lower group rates. You will receive your preliminary air schedule approximately 2½ months prior to departure. **Please note that seat assignments on your international flight are usually done at airport check-in. Odysseys Unlimited is unable to guarantee any seat assignments.** Due to the nature of our operator tickets, other restrictions apply, including, but not limited to, frequent flyer mileage accrual, stopovers, alternate travel dates, upgrades, and airline taxes and fees. If you prefer to make your own travel arrangements, Land Only is available on most tours. **Since international and domestic air schedules are subject to change at any time, we recommend that if you choose to make your own airline reservations, you do not purchase non-refundable tickets or those with high penalties for changes. If you choose to make your own air arrangements, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. shall not have any liability for any loss resulting from cancellation of this tour or changes in this tour.**



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June 12-26, 2017

15 days for \$5,696 total price from Boston, New York
(\$4,995 air & land inclusive plus \$701 airline taxes and fees)



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Experience the beauty, allure, and hospitality of provincial France, at an easy pace and in a unique style. Anchored by stays in vibrant Toulouse and enchanting Paris, the journey features diverse Languedoc, the remote Dordogne, the lovely Loire Valley, and historic Normandy as we stay in charming rural inns and small country hotels. It's a small group tour de force!



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| Avg. High (°F) | Jun | Jul |
| Toulouse | 75 | 81 |
| Paris | 74 | 76 |

Your Small Group Tour Highlights

Medieval Carcassonne ... Market town of Albi ... Cliffside village of Rocamadour ... Caves at Lascaux II ... Dordogne River cruise ... Château de Chenonceau ... Medieval Mont St. Michel ... Bayeux Tapestry ... Tours of Normandy's Landing Beaches ... American Cemetery overlooking Omaha Beach ... Memorial Museum, Caen ... Monet's gardens at Giverny ... Paris city tour

| Day | Itinerary | Hotel | Rating |
|-------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1 | Depart U.S. for Toulouse | | |
| 2-3 | Toulouse | Crowne Plaza Toulouse | First Class |
| 4-6 | Sarlat-en-Périgord (Dordogne) | Hotel Meysset | Not Rated |
| 7-9 | Saumur (Loire Valley) | Hotel Anne d'Anjou | Not Rated |
| 10-12 | Crépon (Normandy) | Ferme de la Rançonnierie | Not Rated |
| 13-14 | Paris | Hotel Château Frontenac | Sup. First Class |
| 15 | Depart Paris for U.S. | | |

Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference. Unrated hotels maybe too small, too new, or too remote to be listed.

Day 1: Depart U.S. for Toulouse, France

Day 2: Arrive Toulouse After arriving in Toulouse in the Midi-Pyrénées today, our time is at leisure until we meet our tour director this evening for a welcome dinner and a briefing about the journey ahead. **D**

Day 3: Toulouse/Carcassonne Today we tour nearby Carcassonne, the quintessential medieval town with the longest city walls in Europe. Sitting atop a hill overlooking vast green plains that stretch all the way to the Pyrénées, Carcassonne boasts battlements and ramparts dating to the 1st-century Romans. We return to Toulouse mid-afternoon for time at leisure. **B**

Day 4: Toulouse/Albi/Sarlat We travel today to the historic market town of Albi in the Midi-Pyrénées. Hometown of Belle Epoque artist Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, Albi was built with rose-colored bricks that cast a warm glow over the medieval streets and ramparts. Our city tour here includes the Palais de la Berbie, an ancient fortress housing a museum devoted to the works of Toulouse-Lautrec. Leaving Albi, we continue to the rugged unspoiled countryside of the Perigord region and the Dordogne Valley. We travel on to Sarlat-la-Canéda, one of France's prettiest villages and one of Europe's best preserved medieval gems, with more registered historic sites than anywhere else on the continent. We're in the land of the truffle and *foie gras*, so *bon appétit!* **B,D**

Day 5: Sarlat/Lascaux II This morning we tour the Caves at Lascaux II, the reproductions of the original pre-historic cave paintings found nearby. After lunch at a charming local inn, we spend the afternoon on a leisurely cruise along the Dordogne River, life-blood of this fertile region and redolent with history. As we pass cliff-top castles and fortified medieval towns, the historical region of Aquitaine comes to life – this is where beloved Eleanor of Aquitaine reigned in the 12th century.

Cover Photo: On Day 9 we tour Chenonceau, the beloved Loire Valley chateau.



Discover Paris with its iconic Eiffel Tower.

We return to Sarlat and our hotel, where we dine tonight. **B,L,D**

Day 6: Sarlat/Rocamadour This morning we take a brief walking tour then have time at leisure to visit one of Sarlat's museums or art galleries on our own – or simply to wander the atmospheric cobblestone streets. After lunch on our own we visit nearby Rocamadour, a revered pilgrimage site and medieval village whose three tiers cling almost impossibly to a sheer limestone cliff. We take a guided walking tour then enjoy some free time before we return to our hotel mid-afternoon and dine there together tonight. **B,D**

Day 7: Sarlat/Le Dorat/Saumur This morning we depart for the Loire Valley, stopping in the small market town of Le Dorat for a typical country lunch at a local restaurant. From here we travel on to picturesque Saumur and our hotel, a converted 18th-century mansion on the banks of the Loire River. **B,L**

Day 8: Saumur Today is at leisure to enjoy this town of half-timbered houses and cobblestone streets as we wish. Options include exploring the town's old quarter; visiting the Cavalry Museum; or tasting the renowned locally made sparkling wine – *methode champenoise* – at Maison du Vin. **B,D**

Day 9: Saumur/Chenonceaux We're in chateaux country, where England battled for control of France; where Joan of Arc triumphed; and where a great opulence reigned during the 16th century. Originally built as fortresses to keep intruders out, the Loire Valley's grand chateaux now welcome visitors from around the world. We tour

a most impressive one today: Chenonceau, the Renaissance masterpiece considered the most romantic chateau of all. Lunch today is at La Cave in Montlouis. **B,L**

Day 10: Saumur/Mont-St-Michel/Crépon

Traveling north this morning, we stop at Mont-St-Michel, Normandy's famed Gothic abbey that sits atop a 264-foot high rock formation at the edge of the sea and was constructed between 1017–1521 of granite hauled stone by stone from Brittany. After a guided tour and some free time for lunch and to explore on our own, we continue on to our lodgings in Crépon: a restored but rustic 35-room farmhouse dating to the 13th century. **B,D**

Day 11: Crépon/Bayeux/Caen Miraculously spared wartime bombing, medieval Bayeux is our first stop today. Here we visit the Tapestry Museum, home of the 1,000-year-old Bayeux Tapestry depicting the exploits of William the

Post-Tour Extension

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- 2 meals: 2 breakfasts
- Transfer to airport

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BUT SEEK HAZARDOUS
ADVENTURES.”

– ALEXANDRE DUMAS

Conqueror. Later we visit the British Cemetery then continue on to Caen’s Memorial Museum devoted to “history for peace.” Time permitting, we may visit Arromanches late this afternoon. **B,D**

Day 12: D-Day Landing Beaches A poignant, inspiring day is ahead as we travel to the very places where Allied forces overcame overwhelming odds to alter the course of World War II. We visit Pointe du Hoc, where American Rangers scaled towering cliffs to establish a beachhead; Utah Beach; and Ste-Mère-Eglise, where the 82nd Airborne Division successfully parachuted on June 5, 1944. We end the day at the American Cemetery overlooking Omaha Beach in Colleville. It’s a particularly moving site; row upon endless row of white marble crosses and Stars of David honor the nearly 10,000 soldiers buried here. **B,L,D**

Day 13: Crépon/Giverny/Paris This morning we visit the village of Giverny and the home and gardens of Impressionist artist Claude Monet. Here we see the familiar lily pond and wisteria-covered Japanese footbridge of Monet’s paintings, as well as his home, now restored to its original design. Then we travel to Paris, reaching our hotel late afternoon. We are free for dinner on our own in this culinary capital. **B**

Day 14: Paris Today we get acquainted with one of the world’s great cities, seeing the high-lights on this morning’s city tour, including a visit to either the renowned Louvre Museum or the Musée d’Orsay of Impressionist artworks. This afternoon is free for independent exploration; tonight we gather for a farewell dinner. **B,D**

Day 15: Depart for U.S. This morning we depart for the airport and our connecting flights to the U.S. **B**

Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 13 nights’ accommodations in Superior First Class, First Class, and unrated hotels
- 26 meals: 13 breakfasts, 4 lunches, 9 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers



We see Monet’s colorful gardens at Giverny on Day 13.

Tour Departs: June 12, 2017

Prices include international airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

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| Boston, New York | \$5,696 |
| Charlotte, Philadelphia, Washington, DC | \$5,896 |
| Atlanta, Chicago, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Dallas, Detroit, Houston, Miami, Minneapolis, Orlando, Tampa | \$5,996 |
| Denver, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle | \$6,096 |
| Land Only (transfers not included) | \$4,295 |

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$701, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$995.

All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: \$3,895 per person (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

Please note: This trip involves considerable walking up hills or stairs, and on uneven or cobblestone streets. You should be in good physical condition to enjoy the tour to its fullest.

For reservations and information, please call Odysseys Unlimited toll-free at 888-370-6765

**Monday-Friday, 9:00am-7:00pm, Eastern Time
Or call the Johns Hopkins Alumni Office at 800-548-5481**