Map & Itinerary





Insider Experiences

Designed exclusively for our guests

★ INSIDER EXPERIENCE

Enjoy an included special or unique excursion or event

⊕ ENHANCE YOUR JOURNEY

Travelmarvel provides further opportunity to pursue your special interests and enhance your holiday with a range of optional experiences

DAY 1

Arrive Lyon

On arrival in Lyon, be transferred to your ship. Explore the impressive social spaces and settle into your suite this evening. Later, enjoy meeting your fellow travellers and dedicated crew at a welcome cocktail reception.

Stay: Six Nights, MS Van Gogh

Daily: • Dinner

DAY **2**

Lyon, Collonges-Au-Mont-D'Or

★ INSIDER EXPERIENCE – French Gastronomic Experience at Paul Bocuse's Abbaye de Collonges

Delight in an authentic French meal at Paul Bocuse's Abbaye de Collonges. Discover the innovative and unique approach to cuisine that Paul Bocuse was renowned for, earning himself three Michelin stars. Taste exceptional dishes reflecting the gourmet chef's love for fresh, high-quality ingredients, all meticulously prepared by world-class chefs. Accompanied by a spectacular setting, this experience is sure to tantalise your tastebuds.

This morning, embark on a guided tour of Lyon, a city known for its delectable array of cuisine. Traverse the city and ascend Fourviere Hill to the Basilica of Notre-Dame de Fourviere, known to locals as the upside-down elephant. Next, visit Vieux Lyon to admire the alluring buildings of the Old Town. Indulge in a tasting at Paul Bocuse's Les Halles de Lyon and savour the best regional fare including local sausage, cheese and a glass of wine. Return to the ship and set sail along the Saone River to Collonges-au-Mont-d'Or for a special Insider Experience later on this evening.

Daily: • Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner



Tain L'Hermitage, Avignon

ENHANCE YOUR JOURNEY - Cite du Chocolat

Delve into the world of chocolate on a tour of the Cite du Chocolat. Learn all about this popular treat with interactive exhibits and taste samples at the Valrhona Discovery Centre (additional expense).

Arrive in the port of Tain L'Hermitage this morning. Perhaps embark on an optional tour of the Cite du Chocolat. Cruise to the attractive city of Avignon, rich in Provencal character and history. Relish an evening of lively onboard entertainment.

Daily: • Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner



Avignon, Arles

Today, set out on a guided tour of Avignon, once an integral location of the Catholic Church. Visit the medieval Palace of the Popes, listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site along with Avignon's historic city centre. Learn about the history of the palace as a fortress, church and residence to popes and soak in the breathtaking architecture. Reboard your ship and head towards Arles.

Daily: • Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner

• ENHANCE YOUR JOURNEY – The Camargue

Explore the coastal region of Camargue and witness the incredible flora and fauna that call this vast flatland home. The marshes, ponds and seashore provide an environment rich in sustenance for a variety of creatures in the area. Visit a traditional manade, a farm where herders train horses and raise cattle (additional expense).

Spend time at leisure today in the beautiful city of Arles and discover this World Heritage-listed site celebrated for its collection of ancient Roman relics. Perhaps set off on a full-day excursion to the Camargue.

Daily: • Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner



Viviers

• ENHANCE YOUR JOURNEY – Gorges de l'Ardeche

Embark on a panoramic coach tour to the Gorges de l'Ardeche. Discover the incredible 30 km canyon, naturally carved by the tide. Be awed by the sheer force of the water shaping deep valleys, cliffs and captivating limestone formations. Stop to see the Pont d'Arc, an incredible arch measuring a height of 100 feet and indulge in extraordinary views (additional expense).

This morning, head out on a tour of Viviers, accompanied with an expert guide. Immerse yourself in the history of this attractive city and visit the House of Knights to admire the intricate detail of its Renaissance-style facade, despite its title as the smallest cathedral in France. Next, stop at Saint Michel Tower and the Great Seminary before taking in the sensational vista of Viviers at the overlook. After, relax on board as you cruise towards La Voulte. Alternatively, join an optional tour by coach to the Gorges de l'Ardeche. Enjoy a Gala Dinner on board your ship tonight.

Daily: ● Breakfast ● Lunch ● Dinner



Disembark Ship, Depart Lyon

After breakfast, it is time to depart your Rhone River cruise. Be transferred to the airport for your onward flight.

Daily: • Breakfast