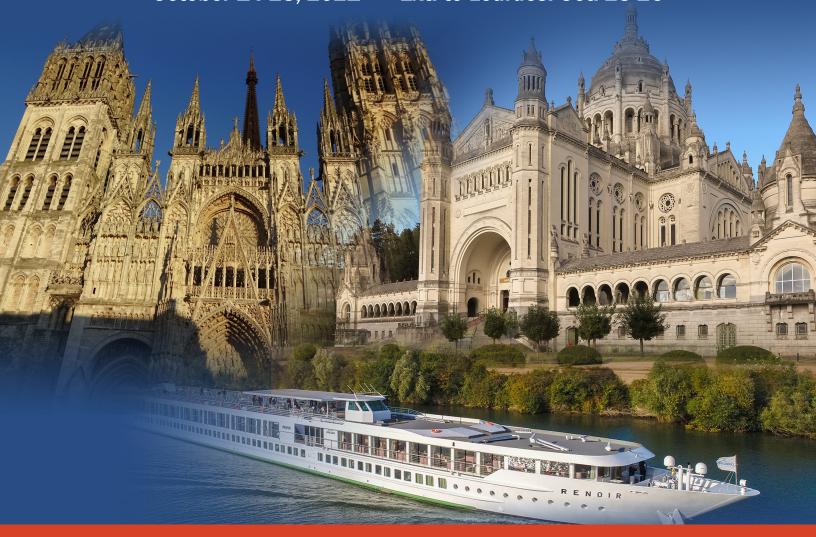
# Saints and Shrines of France

Including a Seine River Cruise to Normandy and Paris plus an optional extension to Lourdes

10 Days

October 14-23, 2021 Ext. to Lourdes: Oct. 23-26





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# This active program covers a good amount of ground each day. You need to be able to walk for 60 minutes straight and on uneven surfaces. Some stairs will

be encountered.

#### **ITINERARY**

#### **むThursday,October 14,DAY 1: DEPART U.S.A.**

We depart on an overnight flight to Paris. Dinner and breakfast will be served on the plane. Group flights are from Chicago, New York, and Austin\*. Domestic add-on flights and airfares are available from most major cities. \*Austin add on is \$200 more per person.

# Friday, October 15, DAY 2: WELCOME TO FRANCE - PARIS - CRUISE EMBARKATION

Welcome to France. Upon arrival at the airport, we are greeted by our group leader and English speaking tour guide. We board the motorcoach for a drive to the city center to see the romantic Seine River, the Eiffel Tower, des Champs-Elysées and other highlights of the city during a panoramic tour. Mass\* will be celebrated before boarding the ship at 5 PM. We enjoy the sights of Paris from the river tonight as we marvel at the beautifully lit up city and the light show at the Eiffel Tower. Dinner is on the ship. Nightly entertainment and beverages are included with meals. Overnight on the ship. (Dinner) \*Mass subject to confirmation based on flight arrival time.

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After breakfast, we drive by the Notre Dame Cathedral, Paris' most beloved church, with its gothic towers and gargoyles. Our next stop is the Montmartre section of Paris to explore the magnificent Sacre Coeur (Sacred Heart Basilica) and the bohemian quarter of the city. Mass will be celebrated. You may return to the ship by the bus where we enjoy lunch or stay in the city to have lunch on your own. The afternoon is at leisure to explore the city on your own, stroll along the banks of the River Seine or visit one of the world-class museums the city is known for. Dinner is on the ship. Overnight in Paris on the ship. (B, L, D)

#### **\$\frac{1}{2}\$ Sunday, October 17, DAY 4: VERSAILLES**

Relax and enjoy the sights as the ship sails towards Poissy. After an early lunch on board, we disembark for a visit to the magnificent palace of the Sun King. Versailles is breathtaking and we tour the palace interiors and the gardens. Mass will be celebrated before returning to the ship for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

#### **<sup>1</sup>Monday, October 18, DAY 5: ROUEN**

Enjoy the views from the ship as we sail past the romantic looking landscapes: forests, small villages, and farms. Many of the houses near the river are old mansions from the XVIIIth and XIXth centuries. There are 29 locks between Paris and Rouen and passing through them is one of the charms of a Seine River cruise. Rouen offers a restored medieval quarter and a marvelous Gothic cathedral of Notre Dame, often painted by the artist Claude Monet. Throughout its turbulent history, the city was devastated several times. During the Middle Ages, it was devastated by a fire and the plague. The English occupied it during the Hundred Years War, at which time the French heroine Joan of Arc (Jeanne d'Arc) was tried for heresy and burned at the stake in the central square in 1431. During WWII, Allied bombing raids laid waste to large parts of the city, especially the area south of the cathedral, but over the last six decades the city has been meticulously rebuilt. We tour the city on foot and celebrate Mass at the Church of St. Joan of Arc and see where she was brutally murdered. Return to the ship for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

#### **廿Tuesday, October 19, DAY 6: NORMANDY BEACHES**

Today we drive through the beautiful Normandy region, to Omaha Beach, where we see the American Memorial and Cemetery. We remember our brave, fallen soldiers. 2019 marked the 75th Anniversary of the D-Day Landing. The 54 miles of the Atlantic Ocean that stretch from Utah Beach in the west to Sword Beach in the east are lined with WWII museums, monuments, cemeteries, and battle remains left in tribute to the courage of the British, Canadian, and American armies that successfully carried out the largest military operation in history: D-Day. It was on these serene beaches, at the crack of dawn on June 6, 1944, that the Allies finally gained a foothold in France; from this moment, Nazi Europe was destined to crumble. Lunch will be on our own in one of the small towns near the Normandy beaches. Mass will be celebrated at Notre Dame- de- l'Assomption de Colleville-Sur-Mer \* TBC. Return to the ship for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

#### **<sup>1</sup> Wednesday, October 20, DAY 7: HONFLEUR**

We travel to the charming coastal town of Honfleur with its skinny, soaring houses. For more than a thousand years, sailors have enjoyed Honfleur's ideal location, where the Seine River greets the English Channel, and 19th-century Impressionists were captivated by the town's unusual light — also the result of its river-meets-sea setting. Honfleur escaped the bombs of World War II, and today offers a romantic port enclosed on three sides by sprawling outdoor cafés. We celebrate Mass at St. Catherine Church and have time to explore this lovely city on our own. Return to the ship for dinner and overnight. (B, L, D)

#### Thursday, October 21, DAY 8: DISEMBARKATION - LISIEUX

We disembark from our ship, saying goodbye to the wonderful crew members, who have become our friends and drive to Lisieux, home of St. Therese the Little Flower. Upon arrival in Lisieux, we visit all the places associated with the life of the Saint and her parents, including a visit to Les Buisonnets, her humble dwelling. After a break for lunch on our own, we Celebrate Mass in the magnificent Basilica of St. Therese where we also visit the Crypt. Dinner and overnight in Lisieux. (B, D)

#### Triday, October 22, DAY 9: CHARTRES - PARIS

Returning to Paris this morning we stop to see the magnificent Our Lady of Chartres Cathedral and enjoy lunch in the small town, before arriving - the City of Light. In the afternoon we visit Rue De Bac and celebrate Mass in the Chapel of the Miraculous Medal where we see the incorrupt body of St. Catherine Labore. We walk a short distance for a visit to the St. Vincent de Paul Cathedral. Dinner and overnight in Paris. (B, D)

#### TSaturday, October 23, DAY 10: PARIS - USA

After breakfast, we are transferred to the airport for our flight home. We say so long to the wonderful friends we met on this trip with hopes of staying in touch and perhaps traveling together again.

#### **Optional extension to Lourdes:**

#### Saturday, October 23, DAY 10: PARIS - LOURDES

After breakfast, we are transferred to the train station where we hop onto the TGV bullet train to southern France. We disembark in Lourdes and are transferred to the hotel. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes. (B, D)

#### **∜**Sunday, October 24, DAY 11: LOURDES

Following breakfast, we celebrate Mass at the Basilica, have a walking tour of the Sanctuary, including the Grotto and the Basilica, and watch a video presentation that explains in detail, the story of Lourdes. We have time for private prayer and reflection. This evening we join the Candle-light Procession. (B, D)

#### <sup>™</sup>Monday, October 25, DAY 12: LOURDES

Today we celebrate Mass at the Grotto, where Our Lady appeared to Bernadette; drink water from the miraculous spring that has healed many and visit the healing baths. Our group will have the opportunity to see Boly Mill, the birthplace of St. Bernadette, and the "Cachot," an abandoned prison where Bernadette's impoverished family lived, pray Stations of the Cross, and attend the Blessing of the Sick in the afternoon. We have a farewell dinner in a local restaurant with a choice of beer or wine as we celebrate the wonderful experiences and spiritual enrichment we encountered during this wonderful trip. Dinner and overnight in Lourdes. (B, Special dinner)

#### ੈTuesday, October 26, DAY 13: RETURN TO USA

After breakfast, we are transferred to Toulouse airport for our flight home. (B)

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# YOUR COMPREHENSIVE TOUR INCLUDES

- Round trip airfare Chicago, JFK, or Newark to Paris. Air from Austin available for a \$200 add-on.
- Airport Taxes and fuel surcharges (subject to change at the time of final payment)
- Accommodation at First-Class hotels for 2 nights
- 6 night Seine River Cruise on the M.S. Renoir – a Premium category ship fully refurbished in 2018
- Buffet breakfast daily
- Eight dinners including wine with dinner (on the cruise)
- · Four lunches on the ship
- Alcoholic beverages on the ship
- All shore excursions and sightseeing as noted
- Air-conditioned deluxe motor coach
- English speaking guide per motor coach
- · All Entrance fees as per itinerary.
- Baggage handling for one suitcase only per person included at the hotels
- · Parking fees for motor coaches
- Local hotel taxes
- · Select International Tours Travel Portfolio
- Confirmation of Daily Mass
- · Listening devices

#### 3 night Lourdes extension Includes:

- TGV train from Paris to Lourdes
- Transfer from the hotel to the train station in Paris
- Transfer from the train station to the hotel in Lourdes
- Transfer to Toulouse airport with boxed breakfast
- 3 nights at a first-class hotel in Lourdes with breakfast and dinner
- · Local hotel taxes
- Farewell dinner in Lourdes with beverages
- Headsets
- Tips of \$30.00 is not included but will be collected ahead for the convenience of the passengers

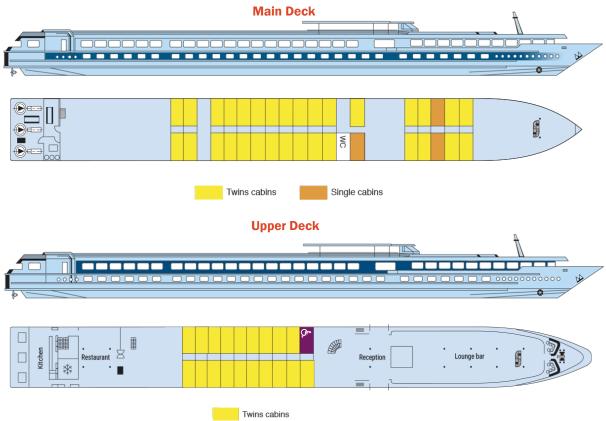
#### RATES DO NOT INCLUDE

- Personal expenses
- Travel protection optional and highly encouraged
- Medical insurance
- Any items not specifically mentioned in the listed inclusions
- Beverages at meals unless otherwise noted
- Gratuities of \$200.00 for the ship's crew, drivers, guides, and included meals will be added to the invoice and collected ahead for the convenience of the passengers.
- Church donations

## BAGGAGE CHARGES NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP COST:

- Baggage handling at train stations, and airports. \*Check with your airline for baggage fees and restrictions
- Any charges incurred due to excessive luggage including the cost of an additional baggage vehicle or portage charges





9 Day Cruise and Land Tour – MS Renoir				
	<b>Cash Prices</b>	Credit Card Prices		
Main Deck Land & Air (26 double)	\$4295.00	\$4424.00		
Main Deck Land Only (26 double)	\$3695.00	\$3806.00		
Main Deck Solo Travel (additional cost - very limited availability)	<b>\$1195.00</b>	SOLD OUT \$1231.00		
Upper Deck Land & Air (18 Cabins)	\$4495.00	\$4630.00		
Upper Deck Land Only	\$3895.00	\$4012.00		
Upper Deck Deck Solo Travel (additional cost - very limited availability)	Not Available	Not Available		
Extension to Lourdes: \$799.00 Solo Travel: \$195.00				
Gratuities of \$200.00 for the ship's crew, drivers, guides and included meals will be added to the invoice and collected ahead for the convenience of the passengers.				

Prices are valid only if the deposit of \$750.00 plus the travel protection payment is received no later May 3, 2021 Final payment due July 16, 2021

<u>Deposits and final payment:</u> A deposit of \$750.00 per person by check should accompany the registration form along with your optional travel protection payment, and a copy of your passport picture page by May 3, 2021. Final payment is due by July 16, 2021. A late payment fee of \$100 will be charged per person for all payments received after the final payment date. Please mail your payment to: Select International Tours, 85 Park Ave., Flemington, NJ 08822, Attn: Jane Allison, 800-842-4842, jane@select-intl.com.

Your passport must be valid through April 26, 2022. Reservations will not be processed until we have passport copies. Prices quoted are based on payments by check. See pricing table on page four for cash prices and credit card prices.

<u>Pilgrimage prices:</u> Prices are based on minimum 80 passengers. Prices may be adjusted in the event of fewer than 80 passengers, changes in currency conversion rates, or amendments in local government taxes and/or fuel surcharges. Prices are in US dollars. For European travel an exchange rate of US \$1.16 per Euro is assumed.

**Solo Travel:** A limited number of single rooms are available. Prices are based on two people per room. We do not guarantee roommates but will do our best to connect you with a someone willing to share.

<u>Land Only Option</u>: Land only services start and end at the hotels and do not include any airfare. You are welcome to transfer from the airport with the group if you arrive at the same time, otherwise, transfers are not included.

Tour Cancellation Policy: \$500.00 is non-refundable from the time of deposit until May 3rd. From May 4th until July 15th, a \$750 is non refundable. As of July 16th, all payments are non refundable regardless of reason for cancellation. All airline tickets are non-refundable once issued. All cancellations must be in writing. Unused portions of the trip are not refundable. We strongly encourage you to purchase Travel Protection. Call or visit our website for details on the cost per person for the Group Deluxe and Cancel For Any Reason (CFAR) plans. CFAR is not available in N.Y. State. We encourage all travelers to purchase a plan at the time of initial deposit. This document contains highlights of the plans. The plans contain insurance benefits underwritten by the United States Fire Insurance Company. The plans also contain non-insurance Travel Assistance Services that are provided by an independent organization. Coverages may vary and not all coverage is available in all jurisdictions. See travel protection information for details, www.selectinternationaltours.com.

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#### **ENROLLMENT/CONSENT FORM:**

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Please complete this form and mail it to Select International Tours, along with your deposit, travel protection payment (if purchasing), and a copy of your passport picture page.



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