

# France

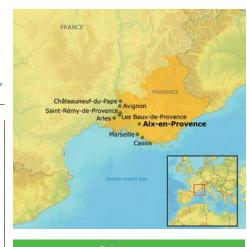
# **Pleasures of Provence**

# **Inspiring Moments**

- Stroll Aix-en-Provence's picturesque Cours Mirabeau boulevard.
- Tour Paul Cézanne's illuminating atelier.
- Cruise through the steep-walled inlets of the **Calangues of Marseille.**
- Bask in the tranquil beauty of historic **Saint-Rémy-de-Provence.**
- Visit lush Arles, famed for inspiring many of **Vincent Van Gogh's paintings.**
- Feast on the **freshest seafood** in the Provençal fishing village of Cassis.
- Taste Rhône wine in the famous wine village of **Châteauneuf-du-Pape.**
- Experience three UNESCO World Heritage sites.



Top: Lourmarin countryside | Above: Châteauneuf du Pape



# Itinerary

- Day 1 Depart gateway city 🛟
- Day 2 Arrive in Marseilles and transfer **)** to hotel in Aix-en-Provence
- Day 3 Aix-en-Provence | Cassis
- Day 4 Avignon | Châteauneuf-du-Pape | Pont du Gard
- Day 5 Arles | Les Baux-de-Provence | Saint-Rémy-de-Provence
- Day 6 Marseille

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- Day 7 Lourmarin | Cucuron
- Day 8 Aix-en-Provence
- Day 9 Transfer 🕽 to Marseille airport and depart for gateway city 🛟

Flights 🚯 and transfers 🕽 provided for AHI FlexAir participants. Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.

## Included Features

#### Accommodations {with baggage handling}

**Travelers** 

-7 nights in Aix-en-Provence, France at the first-class Grand Hotel ROI René, .

#### **Extensive Meal Program**

-7 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 3 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners, tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

#### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- Small group: Sized just right at 28 guests.
- Enrichment by expert speakers enhances your insight into the region.
- **Engaging excursions** showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
- CAHI Connects | Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your individual interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.
- AHI Sustainability Promise | Striving to make a positive impact wherever we travel.

# France | Pleasures of Provence

## A World of Discovery

**AHI Connects** | Les Pastras. Meet the Franco-American owners and tour the olive tree grove to see how olives are harvested and made into oil. Learn about cultivating and finding black truffles and then join professional hunters in the search for France's elusive "black gold." Savor a tasting of fresh truffle appetizers, various oils and Champagne followed by a Provençal buffet lunch in this picturesque setting.

Aix-en-Provence & Cézanne's Atelier. On today's guided tour, stroll upon the Cours Mirabeau, considered one of the most beautiful boulevards in Europe. Then, immerse yourself in the artist's life with a Cézanne studio tour. Travel on to the sun-drenched fishing village of Cassis on the Mediterranean coast for a fresh seafood lunch before taking a scenic cruise through the deep, narrow inlets of the Calangues.

Avignon & the Pond du Gard. In Avignon, explore the impressive Palais des Papesa fortress-like medieval masterpiece with ramparts, towers and turrets-which sits on the banks of the Rhône River. After lunch, travel to the site of Pont du Gard, the enormous aqueduct built by the Romans in 19 B.C. and an ancient engineering feat.

Châteauneuf-du-Pape. Visit the historic wine making village in the idyllic countryside of southeastern France's Rhône Valley. Relish a winery tour and delicious tasting of the powerful, full-bodied red wine.

Arles, Les Baux-de-Provence and Saint-Rémy-de-Provence. Journey to Arles for a guided tour to see the ancient amphitheater of Les Arènes and the 12th-century Cathédral Saint-Trophime, a masterpiece of Romanesque style. In the hill town of Les Baux, experience medieval life with its tiny squares and cobblestone streets. Travel to nearby Saint-Rémy to see the lush green, perfumed valleys that inspired Vincent Van Gogh's paintings.

Marseille. Discover France's oldest city, founded around 600 B.C. by Greek settlers from Phocaea. Today, Marseille is a dazzling metropolis on the Mediterranean. On a guided coach and walking tour, see the Palais Longchamp, admire the magnificent view from Notre Dame de la Garde, and take a stroll through Le Panier, the oldest district of Marseille. Enjoy lunch and explore Marseille further at leisure this afternoon.

Lourmarin & Cucuron. Relish a panoramic tour of two of the most enchanting villages in the Luberon massif. Lourmarin was once home to Nobel Prize-winning author Albert Camus and expatriate author Peter Mayle. Then, learn to play Provence's most popular pastime, the competitive game of pétangue!



## Enrichment

- Splendors of Aix-en-Provence and the South of France

#### **UNESCO World Heritage**

- 1. Historic Center of Avignon: Papal Palace
- 2. Point du Gard: Roman Aqueduct
- 3. Roman and Romanesque Monuments, Arles

#### Accommodations

Grand Hôtel ROI René | Aix-en-Provence  $\bigcirc$ 

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Activity Level: We have rated all of our excursions with activity levels to help you assess this program's physical expectations. Please call or visit our website for full details.



Saint-Rémy-de-Provence

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## AHI Travel Expertise

For more than six decades, our dedicated team has helped travelers explore the world safely and securely.

Travel & Air Coordinators | Help with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

Travel Director | Manages all details to ensure a safe and memorable trip.

Travel information | Prepares you fully for your journey.

Expert local guides and lecturers | Provide friendly, knowledgeable service and share their passion for their destination.

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#### May 26 - June 3, 2026

\$750
\$5,245

The Special Savings consist of \$250 Early Booking and \$500

Pay-in-Full Savings.

#### \*Special Savings Price is valid if booked by the expiration date on the website and paid in full at booking

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy, includes applicable program taxes and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated). Single supplement waived for solo travelers! This offer is limited, capacity-controlled and tends to sell out quickly