

# YOUR PROGRAM AT A GLANCE !

DAY 1 (AUG 28): Arrival at Nice Airport Arrival at Nice International Airport, Meet & Transfer to the heart of Provence Stop in Fayence for lunch on your own Transfer to Aix en Provence Dinner on your own

DAY 2 (AUG 29): VISIT OF AIX EN PROVENCE Breakfast at the hotel Guided tour of the elegant city of Aix en Provence Including Visit of Cezanne painting workshop & Puyricard chocolate factory Dinner in Aix en Provence



DAY 3 (AUG 30): Avignon & Popes' Palace Breakfast at the hotel Transfer to Avignon Visit of Avignon & Pope's Palace Transfer back to the hotel Dinner on your own

DAY 4 (AUG 31): VISIT OF THE CALANQUES Breakfast at the hotel Transfer to Marseille for a visit of Marseille & Mucem Boat tour in the Calanques of Cassis Transfer to your hotel for the next 3 days YOUR PROGRAM AT A GLANCE !



DAY 5 (SEPT 1): DIX MILLE TOURS Breakfast at the hotel Transfer to Le Castellet circuit Hospitality at the circuit with lunch Return to the hotel Evening at leisure

DAY 6 (SEPT 2): VISIT OF LE CASTELLET Breakfast at the hotel Guided tour of the village of Le Castellet Transfer to Domaine de Souviou & wine tasting Transfer to Bandol and Sanary

Early transfer to Nice International Airport





**DAY 7 (SEPT 3):** Visit cannes or st tropez

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Breakfast at the hotel Transfer to Cannes Visit of Cannes or St Tropez Optional : Dinner in Cannes Overnight in Cannes

DAY 8 (SEPT 4) : Goodbye France !

# THE COLORS OF PROVENCE!







The Hotel Cezanne is located right in the city center and proudly displays its chic and trendy side. The hotel has 49 rooms with all the qualities of an international luxury hotel while remaining on a human scale. The terrace with an outdoor bar provides access to a gym and a massage area for sports enthusiasts and relaxation enthusiasts.

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Bandol offers visitors a tranquil pace of life in an exceptional setting that is in perfect harmony with the landscape of rocky inlets, Aleppo pine trees and the blue waters of the Mediterranean, the greatest charms of the Var region. Overlooking the Baie de Rènecros, right by the sea, the Ile Rousse Hotel \*\*\*\*\* -

Thalassotherapy Centre & Spa Thalazur Bandol, offers a magical setting to soothe your body and mind.

Discover the outdoor seawater infinity pool heated to 25°C all year round, a fabulous solarium overlooking the crystalline waters of the Baie de Rènecros, the three restaurants areas and the two private beaches.

The Ile Rousse Hotel – Thalazur Bandol, with lift access to the Thalassotherapy Centre & Spa, has 67 rooms including 12 spacious suites. They all offer luxury combined with careful, personalised décor to lend that special charm to your stay.

## OUR RECOMMENDED HOTEL CLOSE TO THE CIRCUIT : HOTEL ILE ROUSSE



As a symbol of the magic of Cannes by its unique location and refinement, our establishment has taken on a new sparkle as it joins the prestigious elite of 5-Star Hotels. Come enjoy an even more memorable experience.

You only need just a 5-minute stroll to the famous Palais des Festivals et des Congrès and La Croisette. Many of the 133 elegant rooms and suites overlook the sparkling waters of the Port of Cannes, and all our hotel rooms feature top-quality amenities like Free high-speed, wireless Internet. It also provides restaurant service.

# OUR RECOMMENDED HOTEL IN CANNES : HOTEL RADISSON BLU \*\*\*\*









Upon the guests' arrival at Nice International Airport our dedicated guide will welcome the guests and coordinate the private car transfers. We will do everything possible to make their stay an unforgettable experience.

 All of our guides and coordinators are highly experienced and work with us throughout the year on different events.

# WELCOME TO THE HEART OF PROVENCE !









Facing the Estérel Massif, Fayence, whose origins date back to the 10th Century, is located in the east of the Var department, equidistant from the coast and the foothills of the Alps. It has a southerly climate, charming old streets, warm and welcoming inns emitting the aromas of Provence, and even some relics of times past.

A traditional Provençal village built on the hillside between the sea and the mountains, Fayence is dominated by the clock tower with its magnificent 360° panorama. Fayence has retained its winding streets, squares shaded by plane trees, and old shops. Don't miss the Four Mitan former bakery, the Saracen Gate in the ramparts and the Chapel of Notre Dame des Cyprès.

Fayence is also renowned for its gliding centre.



## **AIX EN PROVENCE** THE PARIS OF THE SOUTH OF FRANCE

Back in the history of Aix-en-Provence, the time of a visit to the heart of the city, through the treasures of its heritage.

This tour will introduce the guests to the must see places in Aix-en-Provence.

The tour of Aix en Provence is a chance to travel in time. Its architectural and cultural heritage is accessible to everyone. Just walk to discover its riches

Guests will enjoy a visit of Aix en Provence by a German speaking guide they will discover all the main historical aspects of the city and the lots of anecdotes of the city.

They will also have the opportunity to discover the market and to enjoy all the typical Mediterranean flavor.

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## **AVIGNON** WORLD HERITAGE CITY

Avignon is full of history and full of life.

Capital of the Vaucluse and the Côtes du Rhône, seat of the popes and city of art and culture, theatre, cinema, museums, big stores and little shops, Avignon is a small city that has everything a big one has!

From medieval streets and houses to private mansions from the Renaissance, passing through all its old and enticing squares, some no bigger than a tiny lane... And the diverse dining opportunities, ranging from family-run restaurants, good and inexpensive to some of the greatest Michelinstarred chefs.

Avignon invites you for a stay beyond all imagination. The historic city centre, the Popes' Palace, all the episcopal buildings and the Saint Bénézet Bridge are listed as world heritage sites by UNESCO.

Originally the forum of Avenio, the city's name under the Romans in the 1st century BC, the Place de l'Horloge is still the "centre" of Avignon. A meeting place, bordered by cafés and restaurants, the square is always bustling. Just like the Place du Palais higher up, a vast esplanade where you could spend the day just watching all the street performers in summer.









# **AVIGNON & POPES' PALACE**

Avignon is like the hub of a wheel to all the major attractions and things to do and see Provence offers. You will enjoy a visit of the **Popes' Palace**, a world heritage monument, the world's largest Gothic palace, an intimidating cluster of towers, a citadel within the walled city.

The attempt of the French crown to establish the papacy here for good, boosted Avignon to become the capital of Christianity for the most part of a century (1309 to 1377).

Still encircling the entire old town, there are the ramparts build by the Popes in the 14th century, kept and restored through the ages because in modern times they are still useful as a barrier against floods from the Rhône.

The cathedral, Notre Dame des Doms, with its amazing blend of Baroque and Romanesque architecture inside, the splendid view outside from its doorsteps' esplanade, and the beautiful public gardens of the **Rocher des Doms** some 30 meters above the river Rhone, dominating the city and surrounding countryside with the famous Mont Ventoux in the distance.

And, "bien sûr", there is the **Pont d'Avignon**, the broken bridge, only four arches left of twenty-two, build in 1234 and destroyed by a catastrophic flood in 1669. It is this bridge that the famous song "Sur le pont d'Avignon, on y danse, on y danse" refers to.

There are a number of interesting museums to visit, such as Le Petit Palais, Musée Calvet, Angladon, collection Lambert as well as a thriving theatre festival in July involving the whole city with up to 1500 different performances to choose from every day.



## **MARSEILLE** THE AUTHENTICITY BY EXCELLENCE

Meet the Provencal culture enjoying an iced glass of Pastis (the anis-flavoured local liqueur) while relaxing in a sunny terrace or playing pétanque, the very popular boules game from south of France. The warm city offers a multicultural and dynamic background as well as an exceptional landscape all around with turquoise blue sea and mountains coexisting, well known in the Mediterranean area as the "Calanques". You can visit it by boat on special itinerary cruises from 1h45 to 3hours depending on how much of the Mediterranean coast you want to see.

Visit also the lively central Old Port, freshly renew for pedestrian, that gives a touch of modern to the oldest city of France which architecture testifies of 2,600 years of history. From there you can take a 20min boat to visit the isle of the famous Castle of If built in 1519 by Francois 1st . Capital of Culture, lots of exhibitions, concerts, festivals and events of any type will take place in Marseille so you can be sure the city will never stop astonish you with new concepts and artists to discover and rediscover.

# DISCOVER MARSEILLE BEST SPOTS !





# CASSIS

#### DISCOVERY OF THE CHARMING FISHING PORT OF CASSIS

Cassis, located at 22kms from Marseille, guests will enjoy walking around this colorful fishing port, it's charming little streets, terraced vineyards, little creeks known as the famous "Calanques" and the magnificent and imposing "Cap Canaille", the highest maritime cliff in Europe, which offers a spectacular view of Cassis bay.

Cassis has kept its Provencal authenticity and charm! Renowned for its sunny climate, its castle dominating the whole bay, succulent seafood and distinctive white wine! This is well worth a visit!

Guided walking tour of Cassis Village. Guests will enjoy a tour of the charming village of Cassis with a professional guide, to discover this unique and renowned area, the tiny alleys, the beaches and the picturesque port.

# DISCOVERY OF THE FAMOUS CALANQUES BY BOAT!





# LE CASTELLET CIRCUIT

The Dix Mille Tours has been on the Peter Auto calendar of events since 2010. It is an eagerly-awaited rendezvous by the entrants because of the quality of the infrastructures of the Paul Ricard circuit, and especially because of the technical challenge posed by its layout. For the previous eight years, the Dix Mille Tours du Castellet has made its mark as the not-to-be missed event for the last European races of the season. It includes all the grids by Peter Auto, as well as some other prominent grids. In addition to the racing cars, more than 500 collectors' cars from all eras and of all kinds – sports cars, ordinary machines and luxury vehicles – made the event a real open-air museum.

Enjoy a day of hospitality including :

- •Access to general enclosure, paddocks & grandstands
- VIP Parking
- Access to the Espace Privilège
- Personnalised welcome with an assigned hostess.
- Reception: breakfast, cocktail lunch, tea break, open bar
- Official Progamme



# **LE CASTELLET** & WINE TASTING

Le Castellet is a lovely little village perched above the plains of the Var.

Arriving on the little road from La Cadiére-d'Azur you get a good view of Le Castellet, as the road across the countryside and vineyards pretty much circles the village before finally climbing up to the center.

The "center" of Le Castellet is at the top of the village, contrary to many Provencal villages where the center is on the slope and the top has only a lonely old church or castle. The village retains its fortified look, with sections of the ancient ramparts still there, along with a couple of the old fortified gates. The streets are cobblestone and the houses are old and interesting. The chateau was last rebuilt in the 15th century, and has an imposing defensive feel about it. Enjoy passing by some art galleries and numerous gift/souvenir shops.

# WINE & OLIVE OIL TASTING AT DOMAINE DE SOUVIOU





Domaine Souviou tells a story through its many vestiges of the past. A beautiful 15th century chateau ("Bastide") with a chapel anchors the property. More traces of history are found among the water wells, stone terraces and even bee walls. Many of these ruins have been restored by owner and Polytechnic Engineer Roger Jaar, allowing guests to experience the way of life on the Domaine from centuries ago.

In walking among the 75 hectares of the Domaine, you may feel like you have been transported back to the era of Renaissance. Beyond the grape vineyards, the rolling hills full of olive trees and the Roman courtyards, Souviou includes many hectares of untouched woodlands. The dense, virgin growth forest here is home to abundant wildlife. The 6000 olive trees rise majestically above the many hills. When you finally reach the peak of the Domaine, the Mediterranean Sea sparkles in the distance. The placement of the vineyard blesses the grapes with full sunshine, year round, from dawn to dusk. Part of the charm at Domain Souviou is to see the traditions carried on: everything is done by hand, honoring the art of French oil and wine making.



## **SANARY SUR MER** BETWEEN LAND AND SEA

Set between land and sea, Sanary offers a magical blend of stunning scenery and time-old traditions. The town brims with authentic Provencal charm in the shape of shaded little lanes and squares, old-fashioned "pointu" fishing boats bobbing in the port, ancient stone terraces planted with vines and olive trees and hills fragrant with the scents of wild rosemary and almond flowers...

Sanary is much more than just a pretty face - it is first and foremost a hub of savoir-vivre and a town with a genuine soul.

Hospitality is a tradition dear to the inhabitants of Sanary of all ages.

There is a genuine desire to care and reaching out to others here, reflected in the town's genteel lifestyle, many activities on offer and dynamic cultural life. Sanary offers a deliciously warm atmosphere, driven by the many events and festivities taking place throughout the year.



## **ST TROPEZ** THE MYTHICAL VILLAGE

Offering an irresistible mix of glitter and heritage, the mythical village of Saint-Tropez remains one of the most coveted holiday destinations in the world. Renowned for its unusual blend of relaxed Provençal lifestyle and richly colourful traditions, this authentic old fishing village also remains true to its reputation as a mecca of glamour, boasting international designer boutiques, a stunning parade of superyachts throughout summer, trendy night-clubs, showbiz stars, artists etc....

### THE BAY OF SAINT-TROPEZ : AN UNSPOILED NATURAL TREASURE TROVE

Benefiting from 300 days of sunshine per year, the Var region's sumptuous natural assets include a 400 km Mediterranean coastline lined with long, sandy beaches, little coves and fragrant pinewoods, breath-taking and varied inland country, and a rich historical and cultural heritage.

#### AN IDEAL SIGHTSEEING BASE

Saint-Tropez is ideally located between Monaco and Provence, and the area's most beautiful sights are all within easy reach, less than 130 km away: Cannes and the "Croisette", Monaco port, the Verdon Grand Canyon, medieval hilltop villages, Thoronet Abbey, the "Calanques de Cassis" (stunning coastal fjords), Grasse perfumeries, etc.



## SHOPPING IN CANNES THE CITY OF THE STARS

More than anything else, Cannes is a place of golden sands, a perfect bay lined with islands, the ideal location for a memorable experience!

Not to miss in Cannes:

- The Cannes Film Festival; It quickly became the quintessential event for film professionals, as well as the annual event with the greatest media coverage.
- The Suquet & the Old Port Street "Meynadier"; This is a pedestrian street leading out of the old town of the Suquet. It is full of wonderful food shops
- The internationally renowned "La Croisette" ; In 1850, the Croisette was nothing more than a path running parallel to the sea across sand dunes. The Croisette is now an avenue renowned for its prestigious shops and the luxury hotels that have established Cannes' history, including the Carlton, the Martinez, and the Majestic.
- Markets; The cool of early morning is the perfect time to take a look around Forville market. The fragrance of thyme, verbena and basil fills the air.
- The Lerins Isles; they are situated on the south east of the Croisette, at 800 metres offshore of Cannes.

# DINNER AT THE RADISSON BLU - 360 RESTAURANT





The "le 360°" Gourmet restaurant is named after the magnificent view which stretches from the tip of the Croisette across the Cannes coastline, and its islands in the distance, and sweeps over the old town.

Reynald Thivet, the chef and "Maitre Restaurateur" offers a cuisine which is a subtle blend of flavours, somewhere between "passion" and "wisdom", drawing on the many virtues of food in the service of wellbeing. It evokes all the warmth of simple and delicious Mediterranean cuisine: its fragrances, colours, spices, herbs, and more.

Hearty appetites are celebrated with the hotel's characteristic refinement: nothing sophisticated or pretentious, only the pleasure of authentic expertise in the service of well-being.

# DAY 8 – EARLY TRANSFER BACK TO NICE AIRPORT



