### Lifetime Learning Institute presents ...

### Cruising Burgundy & Provence to the Cote d'Azur

Paris • Beaune • Lyon • Tournon • Viviers • Avignon • Arles • Nice aboard our privately owned 46-passenger ships exclusively for American travelers

12 days – River Cruise Tour only – from  $^\$ 3695$ 

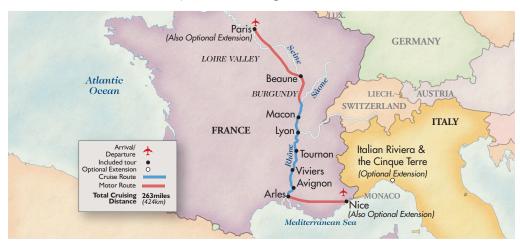
13 days – including international airfare from Washington DC – from \$4895

Additional departure cities are available

#### **OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS MAXIMIZE YOUR VALUE**

Paris, France: 3 nights from \$695

Italian Riviera & the Cinque Terre: 4 nights from \$1095



#### It's Included

**Accommodations:** 7 nights aboard Grand Circle's M/S Provence in an outside cabin, 3 nights in Paris at the First-Class Novotel Paris Eiffel Tower or similar, and 1 night in Nice at the First-Class Hotel Aston La Scala or similar

### 25 meals, including Captain's Welcome and Farewell receptions and dinners:

11 breakfasts, 6 lunches, and 8 dinners (and beverages—including beer, wine, and soft drinks—during all onboard lunches and dinners)

7 exclusive, included tours with personal headsets: Paris • Beaune • Lyon • Beaujolais • Viviers • Avignon • Arles

Exclusive Discovery Series events: Market visit • French bread lesson & tasting • World War II lecture • Gourmet tasting • French language lesson • Herbs of Provence presentation • Cooking lesson • Camargue & Bull Farm visit • Rhone American Cemetery

**Airport transfers upon arrival and departure** with the purchase of Grand Circle's airfare

All port charges—a value of \$165 per person

**Gratuities** for local guides and motorcoach drivers on your main trip

Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips

5% Frequent Traveler Credit toward your next Grand Circle trip—an average of \$289

#### **Local Program Directors**

We are the *only* cruise company to provide the exclusive service of a dedicated Program Director from the beginning of your main trip to the end

- Discover the insights that only a local expert can provide to your group of no more than 46 travelers
- Enrich your experiences through their expertise, from answering questions to offering recommendations for free time





#### Your Itinerary August 24, 2017

#### PRE-TRIP OPTION: 3 NIGHTS IN PARIS, FRANCE

DAY	DESTINATION/HOTEL	ARRIVE	DEPART
1	Fly U.S. • Paris, France		
Land	l Tour		
2-4	Paris Novotel Paris Eiffel Tower	or similar	-
Cruis	se Schedule		
5	Macon Embark ship		
6	Macon Lyon	lpm	6am
7	Lyon		
8	Lyon Tournon	6pm	10:30am 11:30pm
9	Viviers Avignon	6:30am 8pm	lpm
10	Avignon		
11	Avignon Arles	8:45am	5am
Lanc	l Tour		
12	Arles Disembark ship Nice Hotel Aston La Scala or similar		8am
13	Fly Nice • U.S.		

### POST-TRIP OPTION: 4 NIGHTS IN ITALIAN RIVIERA & THE CINQUE TERRE

Itinerary subject to change.

Learn more about hotel ratings on the web at <a href="https://www.gct.com/hotelratings">www.gct.com/hotelratings</a>

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#### **Your Itinerary**

#### Day 1 Depart U.S.

Day 2 Arrive Paris, France A Grand Circle representative will meet you at the airport and assist you to your hotel, where you'll enjoy a walk around the neighborhood. Meet your Program Director and fellow Grand Circle travelers at this evening's orientation briefing. If you began your discoveries early with our pre-trip extension to *Paris*, you will join the main group today.

Novotel Paris Eiffel Tower or similar

#### Day 3 Paris • Optional Versailles tour

Get to know the famed "City of Lights" this morning, starting with a panoramic tour that includes the *Champs-Elysees*, Eiffel Tower, and *Notre Dame*, then head to Le Marais for walking tour of the neighborhood that captures what daily life in residential Paris is like. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. Or, this afternoon, join an optional tour to Versailles. This evening, gather at a local restaurant for a savory Welcome Dinner.

B,D—Novotel Paris Eiffel Tower or similar

#### Day 4 Paris • Optional Giverny tour

Today, join us on an optional half-day excursion to idyllic Giverny, where Monet painted his Impressionist works. Or explore on your own.

This evening, enjoy dinner at your leisure.

B—Novotel Paris Eiffel Tower or similar

Day 5 Paris • Beaune • Macon Transfer by bus from Paris to Burgundy, where you'll meet your local guide, who will introduce you to Beaune on a walking tour. Tour the 500-year-old *Hotel Dieu*, the town's architectural gem.

B,D—M/S Provence

Day 6 Macon • Lyon This morning, you'll sail the Saone River along sloping farmlands and lush vineyards on your way to Lyon.

Arrive after lunch and disembark for a tour of historic Lyon, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Experience Old Lyon, once hidden behind medieval ramparts, and make the most of an included 2-day Metro Pass during your tour.

#### **Exclusive Discovery Series Event**

Return to the ship late this afternoon to learn about the activities of the French Resistance in the Rhone Valley during World War II. Then toast to the discoveries that await during a Captain's Welcome Reception and Dinner onboard, followed by a scenic night cruise on the Saone River.

B.L.D-M/S Provence

#### Day 7 Lyon • Beaujolais tour

#### **Exclusive Discovery Series Event**

This morning, you'll accompany your Program Director to a local market, an ideal opportunity to mingle with locals.

#### **Exclusive Discovery Series Event**

You'll also learn about the endless variety of French breads. Later, join an included



#### What to expect

#### **Pacing**

 13 days, with 7 nights aboard the M/S Provence, and 2 hotel stays, including a single 1-night stay

#### **Physical Requirements**

- Not accessible for travelers using wheelchairs or scooters
- Travelers using walkers, crutches, or other mobility aids must travel with a companion who can assist them throughout the trip
- You must be able to walk 1-3 miles unassisted and participate in 2-3 hours of physical activities each day, including stairs

#### Climate

- Daytime temperatures range from 50-90°F during cruising season
- June-August are the warmest months
- March and November weather can be unpredictable and change quickly within a short period of time

#### **Terrain**

 Travel over uneven walking surfaces, including unpaved paths, hills, stairs, and cobblestones, which can be slippery in wet or colder conditions

#### **Transportation**

 Travel by 49-seat coach and 46-passenger river cruiser

#### **River Cruising**

 Throughout the River Cruise season, weather conditions and tides affect European river depths; water levels may require adjustments to your itinerary

#### Cuisine

- Meals will be a mix of local specialties and familiar American standards
- Meals onboard feature a variety of entrée options, including vegetarian



tour to the Beaujolais region, featuring a wine tasting with a local vintner.

B.L.D—M/S Provence

Day 8 Lyon • Tournon After breakfast, enjoy some free time in Lyon before your ship begins to cruise toward Tournon.

#### **Exclusive Discovery Series Event**

As you cruise, learn about—and sample—some of France's culinary delights during a gourmet tasting.

#### **Exclusive Discovery Series Event**

You'll also learn a few *bon mots* during an onboard French language lesson.

Arrive in Tournon this evening, disembarking after dinner to experience in a local pastime of Petanque, akin to horseshoes, during a visit to a court supported in part by the Grand Circle Foundation.

B,L,D—M/S Provence

Day 9 Viviers This morning you'll arrive in Viviers, the gateway to Provence, where you'll enjoy a walking tour. Then, return to the ship to begin cruising to Avignon, passing the wondrous landscape of Ardeche en route.

#### **Exclusive Discovery Series Event**

During your cruise, you'll enjoy a presentation on the herbs of Provence.

#### **Exclusive Discovery Series Event**

Later during your cruise, your ship's chef will demonstrate some French cooking techniques.

B,L,D—M/S Provence

Day 10 Avignon • Optional An Afternoon in Provence tour This morning, enjoy a guided walking tour of Avignon. Take the afternoon to make your own discoveries, or join an optional An Afternoon in Provence tour. Tonight, gather with your traveling companions for a Farewell Dinner.

B,L,D—M/S Provence

Day 11 Arles • Camargue & bull farm tour This morning, discover Arles—the cobbled city where Van Gogh lived in 1888 and created some of his finest works.

#### **Exclusive Discovery Series Event**

Later this morning, embark on a tour to Camargue, where you'll visit a bull farm, enjoy lunch, and get to know the family that owns it.

B,L,D—M/S Provence

#### Day 12 Arles • Nice (Cote d'Azur)

Disembark and enjoy a scenic ride through Provence on your way to the Cote d'Azur.

#### **Exclusive Discovery Series Event**

Stop at the World War II Rhone American Cemetery in Draguignan, where you can pay your respects to the U.S. soldiers who fell here during the 1944 invasion.

In the early afternoon, arrive at your hotel in Nice's Old Town and join your Program Director for a relaxing walk in the vicinity. Tonight, enjoy an evening at leisure.

B—Hotel Aston La Scala or similar

Day 13 Nice • Return to U.S. This morning, bid *adieu* to France. Or take advantage of our extension to *Nice* and explore the French Riviera, or our extension to the *Italian Riveria & the Cinque Terre*.

Please note: We reserve the right for our Program Directors to modify participation, or in some circumstances send travelers home if their limitations are impacting the group's experience.

# Expand your discoveries with our exclusive optional tours

#### Beaujolais tour & wine tasting

(Day 6, \$80 per person).

#### Afternoon in Provence

(Day 9, \$95 per person).

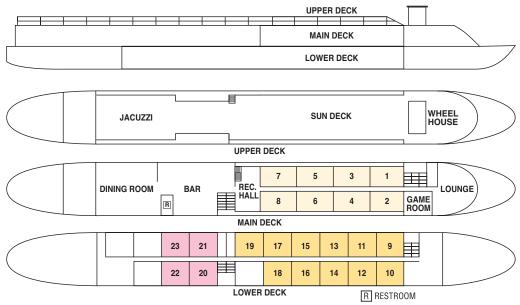
Optional tour prices listed include gratuities for local guides and motorcoach drivers, are U.S. dollar estimates determined at the time of publication, and are subject to change. Optional tours may vary.

### M/S River Provence

Sail aboard our award-winning, privately owned 46-passenger M/S Provence

esigned specifically for the smaller waterways of France, Grand Circle Cruise Line's M/S Provence and M/S Chardonnay—both ranked among the world's "Top 40" river cruise ships by Condé Nast Traveler readers in 2014—provide a more intimate cruising experience. Each carries just one group of 46 American travelers, with its own expert, resident Program Director (a native or resident of France). This is because we believe the picturesque villages and vineyards that make up the French countryside are best appreciated aboard a ship that's as relaxed as the region itself.





Cabin Categories

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Registry: France Width: 31 feet Length: 292 feet Passenger capacity: 46

**Entered service: 2000** 

Crew/Nationality: 14 crew/

International

Decks: 3

Number of cabins: 27—all outside

Elevator: No

## Cruising Burgundy & Provence to the Cote d'Azur

Prices are per person for 12 days River Cruise Tour only (13 days with airfare), based on double occupancy, and included meals and tours as specified in the It's Included section.

#### **River Cruise Tour Only**

Deck:		AUGUST 24, 2017	
Α	Main Deck (Top Deck w/balcony)	\$4595	
В	Lower Deck	\$3995	
С	(Lower Deck w/window)	\$3695	

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#### Air Add-On

Washington, DC	\$1200

Additional departure cities are available. Call for details.

#### Watch Videos Online

Here are just two of **more than 900 videos** available on our website:

#### **Trip Experience**



Watch travelers meet a local vintner and taste a sampling of his wines in Beaujolais.

#### **Trip Itinerary**



Get more information about your detailed itinerary, like optional tours, exclusive Discovery Series events, and more.

#### **Frequent Traveler Credits**

Every time you travel with Grand Circle and OAT, you'll receive a **Frequent Traveler Credit worth 5%** of the advertised cost of your trip (less any discounts), applicable toward your next Grand Circle or OAT trip you take within one year. After one year, your credit value is adjusted to 3% of your advertised trip cost and remains valid for one more year. (Frequent Traveler Credits expire after two years.) If you are currently booked on a Grand Circle or OAT trip, you can now apply the Travel Credits you've earned towards subsequent departures—even if you have not yet departed on your trip. Some restrictions apply.

### Save up to 10% with our exclusive Good Buy Plan

Here's how you'll save up to 10% based on a trip price of \$5000

MONTHS THAT YOU PAY IN FULL PRIOR TO YOUR FINAL PAYMENT DUE DATE (90 days prior to your departure date)	GUARANTEE YOUR PRICE AND RECEIVE:	GOOD BUY PLAN SAVINGS PER PERSON:
12 months or more	10%	\$500
11 months	9%	\$450
10 months	8%	\$400
9 months	7%	\$350
8 months	6%	\$300
7 months	5%	\$250
6 months	4%	\$200
5 months	3%	\$150
4 months	2%	\$100
Make your final payment by check within 120 days	\$50 off	\$50

GOVERNMENT TAXES AND FEES The following government taxes and fees are now included in your airfare price. Government and other authority taxes and fees:

September 11th Security Fee of up to \$2.50 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (maximum charge per trip—\$5.00 USD one-way, \$10.00 USD round trip). A flight segment is defined as one takeoff and one landing. Passenger Facility Charge (PFC) of up to \$18 per passenger. Federal Domestic Flight Segment Fee of up to \$3.70 USD applies per passenger, per flight segment (defined as a takeoff and a landing). U.S. or International Departure and Arrival Charges of up to \$200 USD may apply depending on itinerary. On select itineraries that include the purchase of a pre- and/or post-trip extension, U.S. or international departure and arrival charges of up to \$300 USD may apply. Call for details. Standard Terms & Conditions can be found on the web at <a href="https://www.gct.com/tc">www.gct.com/tc</a>.

Deposit: \$500 per person.

**Single Supplement:** \$595. Single accommodations are limited. To avoid the single supplement, ask about our Roommate Matching Service.

**Guaranteed Travel Protection Plan:** Please visit <a href="www.gct.com/tpp">www.gct.com/tpp</a> for details on this optional program. Standard Terms & Conditions apply when purchasing this program. Visit our website at <a href="www.gct.com/tc">www.gct.com/tc</a> for details. Every effort has been made to produce this information accurately. We reserve the right to correct errors.

After you reserve your trip, toll-free Customer Service and our Air Department are available Monday–Friday 9 am to 8 pm ET, Saturday & Sunday 9 am to 7 pm ET at 1-800-321-2835.

# Reservations & Information: Call Toll-Free: 1-800-597-2452 • Press 2 or contact Bob Huley at 703-534-4819

Please be ready to give the reservations agent the following information **Trip name/code:** Cruising Burgundy & Provence to the Cote d'Azur/RON **Departure date:** August 24, 2017

Please mention this code when booking:

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