

French Treasures River Cruise


BURKHALTER
TOURS

July 19-27, 2021

Take a wondrous journey through beautiful views of France along the Rhône and Saône Rivers with guided sightseeing in the well-known French treasures and some hidden gems too! With Avalon, you will enjoy larger state-rooms, elegant design and upgraded amenities — all while enjoying the beautiful scenery and company of your fellow travelers. And with Avalon Waterways, there are always complimentary excursion options included in each port of call. Unpack once and see Europe in style!

Day 1, Monday, July 19: Depart the U.S. and travel to France. Depart O'Hare International Airport and board your overnight flight to Marseille, France.

Day 2, Tuesday, July 20: Port St. Louis (Embarkation). Upon arrival to Marseille, transfer to Port St. Louise to board your floating hotel, Poetry II, by 5pm. You will have the benefit of only having to unpack once, but enjoying multiple stops on your river cruise! (D)

Day 3, Wednesday, July 21: Arles. Famous for inspiring the paintings of Van Gogh, Arles is a gem with its sun-kissed stone houses, cobbled squares and Roman ruins. Many of the places depicted in his paintings are still around, so perhaps you would like to see the inspiration in real life! Arles is also known for the arena, modelled after Rome's coliseum, which is still used today for bullfights and concerts. (B,L,D)

Day 4, Thursday, July 22: Avignon. Beautiful Avignon will be your home for today. Maybe enjoy a guided sightseeing tour, including a visit to Palace of the Popes, once the seat of Western Christianity during the 14th century. Or if you want to see another architectural masterpiece, you may want to visit Pont du Gard. Built in the 1st century AD, this three-level aqueduct was built to supply the city of Nimes



Tour Inclusions

- Round-trip (estimated) airfare from Chicago O'Hare
- Round-trip transfers + luggage handling within Europe
- 7 nights aboard your luxurious floating hotel: *Panorama*
- Free onboard gratuities
- 20 meals - 7 Breakfast (B), 6 Lunch (L), 7 Dinner (D): beer, wine + soft drinks from the region are included with all onboard lunches and dinners
- Admissions and sightseeing per itinerary (including audio headsets)
- Professional Cruise Director and local guides at every port

Tour Pricing

Per person, double occupancy

Category E	\$5,346
Category D	\$5,554
Category B	\$6,651
Category A	\$6,703
Category P	\$6,808

Ask about other current booking specials and cash discounts!

with water. If you prefer, you can wander the charming cobblestone streets and enjoy artists, musicians and a French treat. (B,L,D)

Day 5, Friday, July 23: Viviers. Even though it may not be the most famous city in France, Viviers is an important part of France's history and still has some of the most important architectural treasures in the country and is basically an open-air museum. Treasures include the Town Hall, the 18-century Hôtel de Roqueplane, the Cathedral of St. Vincent and the Grand Rue. You can also take part in an optional excursion to go hunting for the "Black Diamonds" of Provence, also known as the truffle. Find out where they grow, how to find them and even taste this delicacy. (B,L,D)

Day 6, Saturday, July 24: Tournon—Vienne. If you have been waiting to learn about the famous French wines, this is your stop! You can take an optional excursion to learn about the world-famous Chardonnay vineyards, topping it off with a wine-tasting in the cellars of a real medieval castle. If wine is not your thing, there is plenty to enjoy as you stroll the towns to enjoy the wonderful architecture and history. (B,L,D)

Day 7, Sunday, July 25: Lyon. Known as France's gastronomic capital, there is plenty to see, do and enjoy in Lyon. It also has two different styles: either enjoy the Old World cobbled alleys, pastel Renaissance mansions and colorful shops or visit the more classy shopping streets and Paris-like buildings. Whatever experience you are looking for, you can find it here! (B,L,D)

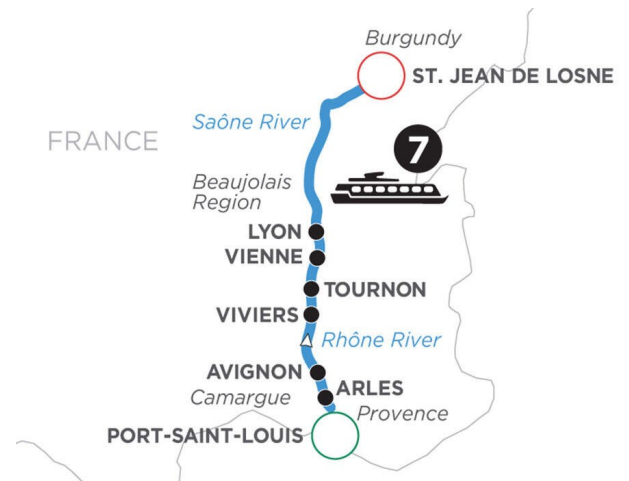
Day 8, Monday, July 26: St. Jean de Losne. This morning you will enjoy taking in the scenery as you cruise along the majestic Saône River on your way to St. Jean de Losne. No trip to France would be complete without sampling the local cheese, which you can do today onboard during a delicious Cheese Tasting activity. For your last evening onboard, enjoy live entertainment as you share stories with new found friends from around the world. (B,L,D)

Day 9, Tuesday, July 27: St. Jean de Losne (Disembarkation) - Return to U.S. Sadly, your tour ends after breakfast this morning, when you transfer to the Lyon airport for your homeward-bound flight. (B)



Your luxurious floating hotel: Poetry II

- *Two full decks of suites with wall-to-wall panoramic windows that transform the space into an open-air balcony*
- *Comfort Collection beds and spacious closets*
- *Large bathrooms with hairdryer + luxury amenities*
- *Flatscreen satellite TV, individual climate control*
- *Complimentary Wi-Fi, direct-dial telephone*
- *Well-stocked mini-bar, complimentary bottled water*
- *Bathrobe and slippers*



TOUR APPLICATION

TOUR NAME: **French Treasures River Cruise**

TOUR DATES: **July 19-27, 2021**

TOUR # **H3157**

Note: The name on your tour documents and airline tickets must match your passport name. One form per address, please.

Please provide a copy of your current passport with the application

Name on Passport1 _____ 1st name for Name Tag _____

Birthdate _____ Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male TSA Pre-check/Global Entry KTN# _____

Passport # _____ Expiration Date _____ Country of Birth _____

Name on Passport 2 _____ 1st name for Name Tag _____

Birthdate _____ Gender: ☐ Male ☐ Female TSA Pre-check/Global Entry KTN# _____

Passport # _____ Expiration Date _____ Country of Birth _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone-cell _____ Phone-home _____

Email _____

Roommate or other travel companions: _____

Special Requests - please understand that we cannot guarantee that requests will be granted.

Accommodations: ☐ Single ☐ Double-one bed ☐ Double-two beds Cabin Category ☐ E ☐ D ☐ B ☐ A ☐ P

Room requests: _____ Dietary requests: _____

Travel extension request: _____

Air: ☐ With group ☐ Individual/customized Seat requests: ☐ Window ☐ Aisle ☐ Other _____

Celebrating any special occasions: _____

Any medical conditions we should be aware of: _____

Any special assistance required: _____

Emergency contact name: _____ **Burkhalter Agent** _____

Relationship to you: _____ Phone: _____

Travel protection? ☐ Yes; please provide information. ☐ Maybe, please send info. ☐ No, thanks

I/we have read and understand the terms and conditions for this tour:

SIGNATURE REQUIRED

PAYMENT

Amount enclosed: _____ \$300 per person due + travel protection **Final Due: April 14, 2021**

Payment: ☐ Cash or check payable to Burkhalter Tours ☐ Credit card (call us with your card info if you prefer not to mail it)

CC # _____ Expiration date _____ Security Code _____

Name on credit card: _____

RESERVATIONS/INFORMATION

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TOUR TERMS AND CONDITIONS - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

I.D./Citizenship: Travelers must possess a passport valid for at least six months beyond the tour dates with names matching those on their tour and flight reservations. Complete name, gender and birth date are required to confirm reservations per TSA/airline requirements.



Deposits and Payments: Please make checks payable to Burkhalter Tours. Most major credit cards are also accepted. **A deposit of \$300 per person** is required to secure reservations. All tour confirmations are subject to receipt of signed tour application and payment verification. **Final payment is due before April 14, 2021.**

Cancellations/Refunds: All cancellations are subject to a \$50 Burkhalter Tours service fee that may not be covered by tour operator insurance. In addition to the service fee and possible airline penalties, tour cancellation penalties are as follows:

Cancel prior to April 14, 2021: Deposit is non-refundable

Cancel after April 14, 2021: Trip is non-refundable

No refund will apply on unused portions of the tour. If a roommate cancels, the remaining traveler may have to pay any single room supplement that is incurred. Name changes and departure date changes are considered reservation cancellations and are subject to cancellation fees. Once issued, airline tickets are 100% non-refundable.

Travel insurance: We strongly recommend the purchase of travel insurance to protect your investment and also to give you medical coverage in case of an emergency during the trip. Avalon Waterways offers a protection plan, but other plans are also available based on your needs. Most protection plans should be purchased at time of deposit. Ask your agent for more information.

Tour Conditions: This tour is a regular Avalon cruise departure. There are no minimum number of Burkhalter travelers required for the tour to operate. All arrangements are based upon tariffs in effect on 8/27/2020 and are subject to change. Once deposit has been received, any changes to air or land arrangements may be assessed a revision fee between \$50-\$250. Revision fees may be higher once air is ticketed.

Air Transportation: The airfare portion of the tour price is subject to change until ticketed. Group airfares may require a minimum of 10 travelers. Airline schedules and routing are subject to change by the airlines at any time. Group seat assignments are usually done by the airline, and changes are subject to availability, which may be limited. If specific seat assignments are vital to your enjoyment of the tour, we recommend individual air reservations rather than booking with the group. Airline seat assignments may only be requested after final payment and may be limited in availability.

Accommodations: Your river ship and tour hotels are first-class or better properties with private ensuite facilities. Hotels are subject to change.

Traveler Fitness: Travelers should be in reasonably good health, able to board a motorcoach in a timely manner, climb stairs and walk moderate distances over sometimes uneven ground. Individuals with physical and/or cognitive limitations must be accompanied by an able individual who will assume complete responsibility for them. Tour personnel and hosts cannot and will not provide this kind of assistance.

Passenger Consent Agreement: Department of Transportation regulations require that we inform you that your purchase is subject to supplemental price increases beyond our control that may be imposed after the date of purchase. Such increases may come about due to increased fees, fuel surcharges, government tax increases, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination of these events. Post-purchase price increases may be applied to your invoice due to these unforeseen cost increases from suppliers. While a post-purchase price increase is rare and not anticipated, Burkhalter Tours will inform you of any increases as soon as possible. By signing the tour application and making your deposit, you are acknowledging that you have been made aware and accept the fact that such increases may occur, and that you agree to pay Burkhalter Tours accordingly.

Responsibility: Burkhalter Travel Agency, Inc., Hello America Tours d.b.a. Burkhalter Tours, Avalon Waterways, their sales agents and tour personnel and any IATAN and connecting ARC carriers act only in capacity of agent for the passenger in all matters pertaining to hotel accommodations, sightseeing tours and any means of transportation, and as such, hold themselves free of responsibility for any damages from any causes whatsoever, including any loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of defect in any vehicle or for the conduct of such other parties. Burkhalter Travel Agency, Inc. and Burkhalter Tours will not be responsible for any damage, expense or inconvenience caused by late transportation arrivals or departures, or by any change of schedule or other conditions; nor will they be responsible for the loss of, or damage to, baggage or any article belonging to the passenger. In the event that it becomes necessary or advisable for any reason whatsoever, including but not limited to, acts of war, terrorism, disease or acts of God, to withdraw the tour or to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations will be made without notice. Additional expenses, if any, will be borne by the passengers; conversely, refunds will be made to the passengers if any savings is effected thereby. Although no changes or substitutions are anticipated at the time of brochure production, participants must accept whatever changes are required. Burkhalter Travel Agency, Inc. and Burkhalter Tours are not responsible for financial or physical harm to any passenger resulting from acts of war, terrorism, disease or acts of God. We reserve the right to decline to accept or to retain any person as a member of this tour at any time. Public carrier companies, including airlines, involved in or used in connection with this tour are not to be held responsible for any act, omission, or any event during the time the passengers are not on board their conveyance or aircraft. Tickets of airlines or other public carriers issued in connection with this tour shall be the sole contract between the carrier and the passenger. Payment of deposit on the cost of the travel arrangements described in this brochure signifies the acceptance on the part of the purchasers and/or passengers of the limitations of Burkhalter Travel Agency, Inc. and Burkhalter Tours' responsibility and to the terms and conditions set forth in the passage contract (air ticket) issued by any IATAN or ARC carrier and/or their agents in connection with the land and/or surface arrangements described herein.

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