



Best of Paris

(B): Breakfast; (BB): Bed & Breakfast; (L): Lunch;
(D): Dinner; (b): Bed only

Day 1,

Depart a gateway city for Paris (CDG). Convenient gateways are Atlanta, JFK, Newark, Cincinnati, Dallas, & Miami.
Overnight flight

Day 2,

You will arrive at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport this morning. We will find you a hotel just off of the Champs-Elysees and in the shadow of the Arch de Triumph. It will be a convenient base of operations while you visit the "City of Lights". After you settle in your room, and freshen up, I suggest you take a short walk to La Duree. After enjoying your late lunch, it's off to the Rodin Museum. You will be viewing the works and personal collection of Auguste Rodin and Camille Claudel. After you return in the afternoon to your hotel you may want a light dinner and a stroll on the Champs-Elysees.

Hotel TBD

Day 3,

Your first full day in Paris will find you assembling in the hotel for a typical French breakfast of croissants, jams cheese and coffee. Plan to be picked up at our hotel for a private tour of Paris. This tour will be an all day excursion; including one of the most famous museums in the world, the Louvre. Whether you come to see the Mona Lisa or Venus de Milo and the other great works, you will be in awe at the vast collection of the world's best artwork. After visiting the museum, we will have a lunch cruise on the River Seine with the Bateau Parisian. The excursion will carry on in the afternoon for a ride up at the second floor of the Eiffel Tower. Then, we will visit the Notre-Dame Cathedral. The tour will also include: the Arch of Triumph, the Champs-Elysees, the Concorde, and Saint-Germain-des-Pres (Boat and Bus) Dinner will be on your own. **Hotel TBD**

Day 4,

After enjoying breakfast, you will go to The Muse'e d'Orsay. This museum houses world-famous artistic masterpieces from the period 1848-1914. The guided visit provides a general view of the permanent collections; from paintings to fine art.. The remainder will be free perhaps you might treat yourself to a "designer" souvenir. Lunch and the afternoon will be free for shopping Avenue Montagne, or many other options to choose from. **Hotel TBD**

Day 5,

After having your petite dejeuner, you will be picked up for a tour of Giverny and Versailles.

The day begins with a visit to Monet's House in Giverny and its famous water lily garden followed by a discovery of the American Art Museum. Lunch is taken in the delightful Moulin de Fourges. In the afternoon, you will visit to the Palace of Versailles. You will then go back into the past and plunge into the world of Louis XIV in the heart of the Castle of Versailles. While you visit the Great Apartments, the Hall of Mirrors and the Queen's Apartments, your guide will tell you all about the building of the castle and life at the court. You will return back to your hotel. **Hotel TBD**

Day 6,

You will be taking an excursion to the Loire Valley today. This guided visit will encompass the three main castles: Clemenceau and Cheverny in the morning. Lunch will be near Cheverny Castle. After lunch, you will visit the Chambord Castle for the balance of the afternoon, and then return to Paris. We will provide some wonderful suggestions for dinner tonight. **Hotel TBD**

Day 7,

After breakfast take the Metro to an awesome shopping area with all of the smartest boutiques. A Hermes tie for your man, perhaps a Chanel handbag or Louis Vuitton for yourself, a little memory keepsake. There's time take a stroll on the avenue rue du Faubourg St. Honore', then make a stop to see the beautiful Madeline Church. Another must visit is to the world renown Fauchon market. Then you will be close by Angelina's for lunch, which is a real favorite of ours. If you like chocolate be prepared to be overwhelmed. Some free time in the afternoon.

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Day 8,

This will be another very special day in Paris. Today visit the Latin Quarter, and have a simple lunch at the famous Les Deux Magots, a hangout of Hemingway's. After lunch a visit to the oldest church in Paris, the Elgise de St. Germain de Pres, built in the 6th century. A fitting way to cap off your visit to Paris would be the world famous Dinner and Cabaret show at the famous Lido. **Hotel TBD**

Day 9,

Depart the "City of Lights" back to the USA and your home city.

Welcome Home