

# ART TOUR OF FRANCE

## FRANCE

**DAY 1** / Australia - France  
Depart Australia on your flights to France.

**DAY 2** / Paris **D**  
Upon arrival, transfer to your accommodation. Spend a free afternoon in the French capital. Walk along the famous Champs-Élysées from Place de la Concorde to l'Étoile, where you might like to climb the Arc de Triomphe.

*1st night's accommodation in Paris*

**DAY 3** / Paris **B D**  
Enjoy a painting and drawing class with an artist in an authentic Parisian studio. After lunch, make your way to the Louvre Museum for a guided tour, viewing its most famous artwork including the Mona Lisa.

*2nd night's accommodation in Paris*

**DAY 4** / Paris **B D**  
Enjoy your morning painting and drawing class, followed by an afternoon guided visit to the Musée d'Orsay, which houses amongst its works the French collection of the Impressionist era.

*3rd night's accommodation in Paris*

**DAY 5** / Paris **B D**  
Make your way to Montmartre this morning. Visit Sacré Coeur and explore the bohemian streets of the artists' quartier. Enjoy a guided tour of the Musée Rodin this afternoon.

*4th night's accommodation in Paris*

**DAY 6** / Paris **B D**  
Enjoy a 1-hour cruise on the Seine, then climb the Parisian icon, the Tour Eiffel. This afternoon, take part in your last painting and drawing class.

*5th night's accommodation in Paris*

**DAY 7** / Paris **B D**  
Explore more of Paris today, visiting l'Île de la Cité, Notre Dame, and the galleries in the Centre Pompidou. See the Ste Chapelle with its spectacular stained glass windows.

*6th night's accommodation in Paris*

## > OPTION 1 - PROVENCE

**DAY 8** / Avignon **B D**  
Travel by train to Avignon and enjoy a guided tour of the Papal Palace. Visit the St Bénézet Bridge and then spend a free afternoon in the town.

*Overnight accommodation in Avignon*

**DAY 9** / Orange, Nîmes **B D**  
Travel to Orange and visit the best preserved ancient Roman theatre in Europe. Continue to Nîmes and see the Pont du Gard, Maison Carrée, and the Roman Arenas.

*Overnight accommodation in Nîmes*

**DAY 10** / Arles, Aix-en-Provence **B D**  
Transfer to Arles and enjoy a guided tour of the town, tracing the life of Van Gogh. Visit the Fondation Van Gogh. Continue to Aix-en-Provence. Enjoy a guided walking tour following the footsteps of Cézanne.

*1st night's accommodation in Aix-en-Provence*

**DAY 11** / Aix-en-Provence **B D**  
Visit the "Atelier of Cézanne" this morning. Enjoy a guided coach tour of Aix and the surrounding countryside, with visits to places painted by Cézanne.

*2nd night's accommodation in Aix-en-Provence*

**DAY 12** / Aix-en-Provence, Cannes, Nice **B D**  
Enjoy a half-day painting lesson en plein air. Depart Aix for Cannes. Explore the town centre and see the famous Croisette and the Palais des Festivals. Arrive in Nice this evening.

*1st night's accommodation in Nice*

**DAY 13** / St Paul de Vence, Nice **B D**  
Explore the beautiful walled village of St Paul de Vence, including a visit to the Fondation Maeght. Return to Nice and spend a free afternoon in the town.

*2nd night's accommodation in Nice*

**DAY 14** France - Australia **B**  
Today, you are transferred to the airport for your return flights to Australia.

**DAY 15** / Australia  
Arrive home.



## > OPTION 2 - NORMANDY

**DAY 8** / Auvers-sur-Oise **B D**  
Travel by coach to Auvers-sur-Oise. Enjoy the walk-through show "Journey in the days of the Impressionists" at the Castle of Auvers. This afternoon, tour the town, tracing the life of Van Gogh with your guide.

*Overnight accommodation in Vernon*

**DAY 9** / Giverny **B D**  
Transfer to Giverny and visit Monet's House and Gardens. Tour the Museum of American Art and take part in a workshop en plein air.

*Overnight accommodation in Giverny*

**DAY 10** / Rouen **B D**  
Enjoy a guided tour of Rouen with an Impressionist theme. Visit the Impressionist Gallery. Drive past the famous cliffs at Etretat to Le Havre, where you visit the Fine Arts Museum André Malraux.

*Overnight accommodation in Le Havre*

**DAY 11** / Honfleur, Bayeux **B D**  
Transfer to Honfleur. Visit the Musée Eugène Boudin. After a lunch break in Deauville, visit the Bayeux tapestry. Spend a free afternoon in the town.

*Overnight accommodation in Mont St Michel area*

**DAY 12** / Mont St Michel **B D**  
Visit the Gothic-style abbey and town of Mont St Michel. Return to Paris in the afternoon.

*Overnight accommodation in Paris*

**DAY 13** / France - Australia **B**  
Today you are transferred to the airport for your return flights to Australia.

**DAY 14** / Australia  
Arrive home.