



## 14 Days Itinerary

# Paris to the French Riviera with much in between

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## Introduction

For this itinerary we have purposely chosen a very classic line.

Paris, Provence, and the French Riviera are the most popular destinations in France and we wanted to insert a little something in the middle to take you off the beaten track to the Beaujolais region and the wonderful city of Lyon.

Obviously there are many variations and exceptional visits meeting craftsman, cooking classes, boat trips etc and these would figure on most itineraries that we designed for our clients, but here we just wanted to stick to the essential the iconic, the places that you must see when you come to beautiful France.

We have purposely not included hotels, the choice is vast and accommodation really depends on what you prefer in style, contemporary, traditional, off the beaten track or in the centre of town there is something for everyone and we will be able to advise you depending on your personal tastes.

### Day 1

## Arrival in Paris - Private transfer to your hotel

Welcome to France !

Upon arrival, meet your driver and be transferred directly to your hotel.

### Day 2

## Full Day Paris Highlights

Today we will discover Paris, the city of lights, one of the most beautiful and romantic cities in the world. The store is for people who have never been to Paris however we have got theme tours for those who know the city well in order to be able to discover different districts, or specific subjects such as fashion, art, Jewish heritage or, a favourite of many, food!.

The tour begins with the heart of Paris on the Ile de la Cité where you will learn more about Notre Dame cathedral and the world's best-known flying buttresses, the Sainte Chapelle with the intensity of the magnificent stained-glass windows, la Conciergerie where the ghosts of the guillotine's victims must surely haunt this stark and gloomy place.

Visit the left bank, the Latin quarter where students stroll around in the old and tiny streets such as "la rue du Chat qui Pêche" (the street of the fishing cat), and pass by la Sorbonne, one of the most famous universities in Europe.

Cross the river to reach le Marais area, one of the oldest districts in Paris, admire the beautiful 17th century mansions and of course the stunning place des Vosges. You may visit some of the trendiest new designers' shops on rue des Francs Bourgeois. Then continue along Rivoli street to the Tuileries gardens and the world-famous museum: le Louvre. Turn right onto Vendôme square, rue de la Paix and the most famous jewellers in the world, reach the Opera square with magnificent Opera Garnier, emblematic of the monumental architecture of the 2nd Empire.

Pass by the Madeleine church, on rue Royale and fall right into the Concorde square where the terrifying guillotine stood during the French Revolution and where stands, nowadays, the obelisk from Luxor, Egypt.

Go along the Champs Elysees one of the most beautiful avenues in the world and turn around the Arc de Triomphe erected by order of Napoleon the 1st as a tribute to the glory of his "Grand Army".

Cross the river Seine again and meet "the grand old lady of Paris": The Eiffel Tower, coming back along the bank, the Invalids and the dome of Napoleon's tomb, the beautiful Alexander the 3rd bridge with its so romantic lampposts.

## Day 3

### Private Tour to Versailles Castle

#### Meeting Point

HOTEL

Discover the Versailles Palace in all of its glory accompanied by our expert guides.

- After breakfast, Meet your guide in the lobby of your hotel and our chauffeur will drive you to Versailles. There, you will start visiting the Palace of the Sun King with fast queue tickets. It is a veritable treasure trove: the Hall of Mirrors, the Hall of Battles, the royal apartments... For two hours your guides will provide you with history and secrets of this amazing world-famous castle.
- During the afternoon you can enjoy a visit of the impressive French gardens and also discover Marie Antoinette's hamlet! If you prefer, you can head back to Paris to enjoy some free time and perhaps a spot of shopping.

#### Add some fun to your day:

**Option 1 - Possibility to book a private 1-hour tour with segway or bike in the garden:** We can organize 1 hour private ride with Segway / bike in Versailles Garden: *It would take two whole days to visit the entire Royal estate and discover all the mysteries of this extraordinary place imagined by ours for Louis XIV. Accompanied by a guide and without fatigue, you can admire some of the most beautiful points of view of the Royal Park. Discover the Park of the Palace of Versailles on a Segway, standing on a two-wheeled vehicle with handle bars. This electric mode of transport is a fun and original way of travelling round this magical location! Meander along the alleys and admire the Grand Canal.*

#### Option 2 -Private Horse Ride in Versailles:

*After this delicious lunch, a private carriage ride, will pick you up and will take you for an unforgettable moment. This is certainly a wonderful way to experience the beauty of Versailles town. Seat and relax, you will discover the main monuments of the city on a horse and carriage ride with your family.*

#### Option 3 : Private visit of King's interior apartments ( closed to the public):

*This afternoon, enjoy a private visit of the famous castle and the King's interior apartments.*

*Away from the Grands Appartements and ceremonious displays, step into the more intimate lives of French Kings Louis XV and Louis XVI. On the first floor of the central part of the castle lie the Kings' Interior Apartments, a genuine oasis of tranquility, a distinguished place of life and work, smaller in size and tastefully decorated. Each and every one of the rooms harbors a treasure waiting to be discovered. The clock room, named after its amazingly complex clock, shows off King Louis XV's interest for astronomy.*

*The King's interior cabinet showcases the world-famous cylinder desk, or roll-top desk, the first of its kind.*

## Day 4

### Private Transfer from your hotel to Paris Gare de Lyon

#### Meeting Point

Hotel Le Bristol

This morning, meet your private driver outside the hotel and drive to GARE DE LYON Train station for the next part of your journey across France

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### Rail · SNCF - French Railway Service

#### Departure Location

Paris - Gare de Lyon

#### Arrival Location

Macon Loche TGV

#### Notes

The train journey from Paris to Macon takes just over 1h30 passing through the beautiful verdant countryside of Burgundy. On arrival you will be met by your guide for a discovery of the Beaujolais region.

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### Full Day Wine and History Tour in the Beaujolais

According to the elders, three rivers cross Lyon: the Rhône, the Saône and the Beaujolais!

Situated just North of Lyon, the Beaujolais region is closely linked with the city and especially the famous Bouchon restaurants where the house wine is often a pichet (small earthenware jug) of Beaujolais.

The rolling countryside of the region is breathtakingly beautiful, with vineyards and villages where you will find out that there is a lot more than Nouveau on offer.

Our day will be sprinkled with country meals, unique encounters with local vignerons, wine tastings and also you will discover the "golden stone" region, often referred to as the "Little French Tuscany" as the undulating landscapes of rolling hills, some cypress trees amidst vineyards and olive groves offer a distinctively Tuscan signature landscape, here in France!

We will begin with a visit of one of the most reputed vineyards in Fleurie in the company of the owner, there we will enjoy a wine tasting and lunch at their country Auberge.

After lunch we will drive to the family winery of our guide in the village of Vaux en Beaujolais, to discover the village and the 12th century cellar where you will discover more delicious offerings from the region.

Our final stop of the day is in the beautiful medieval village of Oingt officially classified as one of the "Most Beautiful Villages of France."

Your guide will show you the highlights of the village during a walking tour where you will understand why the area is known as the Golden Stone region, as the buildings are built from the very special local golden stone which is a limestone naturally stained with iron oxide, that takes on a unique golden colour.

Another great way to admire the village and the surrounding countryside is from the top of the Donjon tower, with a 360° panorama that allows you to admire the Beaujolais and Lyonnais mountains. It is not uncommon on clear days to see the Jura mountains and the Mont Blanc in the Alps and the Mont Ventoux in Provence.

After this unique day of discovery, you will end in the city of Lyon.

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## Day 5

### The Rhone and Saône Rivers

This morning we will begin with a short cruise taking us along the Rhône and then on to the Saône rivers. These two Rivers have an incredibly important historical and cultural significance in Lyon, and experiencing them up close is the perfect introduction to understanding the city of Lyon.

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## Full Day in Lyon - History, Food and Much, Much More...

Today you will discover the incredible city of Lyon from the historical aspect that can be traced back as far as Roman time as well as the gastronomic aspect for which the city is famous.

Your day will start with the authentic charms of Old Lyon, one of Europe's most extensive Renaissance neighbourhoods. Here your guide will show the highlights of the area, often using the famous "traboules", a type of secret covered passageway that connects parallel streets, which once allowed workmen and craftsmen to transport clothes and other textiles through the city while remaining sheltered from inclement weather and were used more recently by resistant fighters in the Second World war for shaking off the enemy.

You will then cross the Saône River, taking the famous Passerelle du Palais a footbridge that connects Old Lyon with the rest of the city, offering an exceptional view over the city. The itinerary continues on the other side of the Saône, where the bourgeoisie settled from the 17th century. Slightly further on, Rue de Mercière reveals its traditional Lyon "bouchons" local restaurants that are part of the Lyonnais gourmet history and reputation since the 19th Century.

Your next stop will be the Halles Paul Bocuse located in the modern Part-Dieu neighbourhood. This huge covered market is one of the centres of Lyonnaise gastronomy and brings together the leading products of the region and beyond. Cold meats, cheese, quenelles, chocolate, wines, and more, the selection of products to be tasted vary according to the season. But, every visit ensures gourmet pleasure!

Now that your palate has been titillated with a few choice nibbles, you can enjoy lunch in one of the typical Bouchon Lyonnais.

This afternoon, you will enjoy a stroll on the Place Bellecour, discover the Celestins Theatre, the Jacobins fountain, and the Place des Terreaux with its city hall and opera house. Your day will finish with the trip to the top of Fourvière hill, taking the famous funicular railway, where you will have a panoramic view over Lyon and its surroundings. You will visit the Neo-Byzantine Fourvière Basilica before heading to the Roman theatre below to discover some of the oldest parts of Lyon's history.

Throughout your tour today, you will be tasting local specialities as you walk as well as discovering one of Lyon's somewhat unique aspects that are located throughout the city, the Frescoes of Lyon, with more than a hundred frescos that cover the walls in the city and retrace its history, its famous inhabitants, buildings, neighbourhoods as well as some that are more abstract. Most of these have been created by the Lyon based company CitéCréation and its 80 painters, architects, landscapers, etc. who have covered walls with their monumental murals around the world with artistic creations for more than forty years.

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## Dinner at a typical Bouchon Lyonnais

The Bouchon Lyonnais is a veritable institution in the city of Lyon.

Don't expect to find nouvelle cuisine here, this is about tradition and usually in France when food and tradition come together it's not something that's going to make you any slimmer!

Discovered the joys of truly authentic fare including the famous Quenelle de Brochet, a soufflé like dumpling made with Pike (a local river fish), marinated herrings, stuffed chicken thighs with morel mushrooms, Coq au Vin as well as a selection of offal inspired delicacies for the more adventurous!

After enjoying some local cheese (to finish the remaining wine of course) we highly recommend ending with the quintessential Tarte à la Praline, a tarte made from Praline Almonds coloured pink, a particularity of Lyon.

### Day 6

## Rail · SNCF - French Railway Service

**Departure Location**

Lyon Part Dieu

**Arrival Location**

Avignon TGV

## Notes

After your stop and discovery of the Beaujolais and Lyon we continue South to Provence. The train journey from Lyon to Avignon by high speed TGV takes just over an hour.

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## Transfer to Avignon

Your guide will be waiting for you at the train station to transfer you to Avignon for lunch and discovery of the city in the afternoon.

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## Avignon

Avignon nestles on the left bank of the Rhone river. This mediaeval walled town became an influential centre between 1309 and 1377, when seven successive popes resided in Avignon. Papal control continued until 1791 and the French Revolution, after which it became part of France. The town is now the capital of the Vaucluse department and one of the few French cities to have preserved its ramparts.

Your guide will take you to visit the Popes' Palace (le Palais des Papes), the Cathedral Notre Dame des Doms, and Avignon Bridge (Le Pont d'Avignon), made famous by the children's nursery rhyme and now a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The annual Avignon Festival (Festival d'Avignon) in July, has also helped to make the town a major centre for tourism, but during the festival, the city is very crowded.

## Day 7

### Market Day in St Remy de Provence

#### Meeting Point

On your own

Today it is market day in St Remy de Provence, a wonderful animated celebration of beautiful produce with flavours and scents to awaken the senses!

The town of St Remy is also a wonderful one to discover with boutiques and galleries, great patisseries and cafes from which to watch the world go by. St Remy was the birthplace of Nostradamus in 1503 and his prophesies still sell as many copies today as the year when they were published. You will find reminders of his legacy in the town, with a particularly fine fountain and statue on the Rue Nostradamus, his birthplace is also signaled with a plaque.

Another important legacy linked with St Remy is that of Vincent Van Gogh, just outside of St Remy in St Paul de Mausole. Here you can visit the asylum, and a recreation of the room where Vincent Van Gogh was interned in 1889, at his own request. It is here that he painted some of his most famous works including Starry Night and the Sunflowers. You can also discover the Roman Triumphant Arch and Mausoleum that literally have been sitting by the side of the road for the last 2000 years and give this area its name.

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## Olive Oil Tasting

Les Baux de Provence is famous for its olive oil mills and as we drive there we will make a stop at one of them.

The olive oil production around Les Baux de Provence is almost entirely organic and famous the world over. You will discover the troubled history of local olive oil production, stopped in its tracks in 1956 by a devastating freeze that wiped out nearly every olive tree in the region, and the consequent recovery and return to glory! Learn how the oil is extracted and enjoy a tasting of oils and tapenades.

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## Les Baux de Provence

Les Baux de Provence is one of the most beautiful villages in France. Perched on a rocky outcrop the village is crowned by the ruins of the medieval castle which belonged to the lords of Les Baux and then the Grimaldi family, now installed in Monaco. You can start with a stroll through the narrow cobbled streets admiring the houses and renaissance facades as far as the ruins

of the castle where the stunning views over olive groves and vines can reach as far as the Mediterranean on a clear day. From the castle's ruins, you can learn about life in medieval France, from the general social makeup, to the traditions and defensive strategies that were used.

After the village, we highly recommend to visit the [Carrières de Lumières](#), a sound and light show set in an ancient quarry whose theme is around an artist or artists.

## Day 8

### Arles

Once an important Roman trading post, Arles boasts one of the finest Roman Arenas in Europe as well as an Amphitheatre, whose condition is less pristine, but still bears a remarkable testimony to the skills of Roman builders as well as their role in bringing their civilization to Europe, during your tour you will visit both.

Of course one cannot talk of Arles without forgetting Vincent Van Gogh who spent one year in the city before he was interned, at his own request, in Saint Paul de Mausole near St Remy which you already visited. On the Place du Forum in the centre of town you can see the “Café Van Gogh” as it is now called, which was the subject of his famous painting “Café de Nuit”.

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## Private Manade Tour - Camargue

### Meeting Point

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This afternoon, heading to the south, in the Camargue region, enjoy an exclusive private visit to a Manade (a Camargue farm, where Camargue horses and Bulls are raised).

During this visit, you will be shown around by the owners discovering the animals and daily lives of these French cowboys, for those who wish to, the visit will be done with a 4x4 (Horseback option is available for confirmed riders only).

After your visit, your guide will make a stop by the Etang de Vaccarés, a vast salt water lagoon, home to the famous pink flamingos that call the Camargue National Park their home.

## Day 9

### The Luberon Region

The Luberon region is probably the most iconic representation of Provence. Here the hilltop villages, vineyards, cherry orchards and lavender fields are all present.

It is an ideal region for biking with a large network of bike paths and routes and great biking guides and ideal for hiking in the cool forests to the South in the hot Summer months.

Start the day by visiting the Abbaye of Senanque, a beautiful 11th Century Cistercian Abbey, situated in the Senancole valley, just below Gordes famed for its lavender fields that are in flower from mid June to mid July. Here you will admire the abbey from the outside and enjoy a photo stop.

Then continue with the iconic village of Gordes which is one of the most beautiful villages in France and always gets a definite WOW when you first see it! Its houses of white and gray stone rise up in a spiral around the rock where the village is set. At the very top is the church and the castle which face out onto the hills of the Luberon.

Lunch stop will be in a local bistro in a picture postcard location.

Next stop is Menerbes where aside from the beautiful village, you can discover their amazing and unique cork screw collection.

Continue your drive to the village of Lacoste.

The first claim to fame in Lacoste is the chateau that was once owned by the Marquis de Sade, whose dungeon based activities and scandalous behavior forced him into exile and later to be imprisoned. More recently the Chateau in ruins was bought by

the world famous couturier Pierre Cardin. Aside from the chateau, Lacoste is a wonderful village to discover on foot with narrow cobbled streets that, thanks to the financial input of Cardin as well as the establishment of the Savannah School for Art and Design, are beautifully restored and maintained.

Then make stop at the Pont Julien, a small Roman bridge that has stood the test of time for over 2000 years and was only closed to traffic in 2005!

Then continue your drive to Roussillon. Roussillon, famed for its Ochre quarries and is immediately obvious from the orange and reddish hues of the houses. You can walk along part of the Ochre trail and admire the very quarries that were once used and now form a breathtaking landscape of varying colors and shapes. The village is a perfect place to find some souvenirs before you continue on.

## Day 10

### Aix en Provence

Aix en Provence, the historical capital of the region, is considered by many to be the most elegant town in Provence. It was founded by the Romans in 122 BC when Caius Sextius Calvinus established a garrison here. It was given the name of "Aqua Sextiae" after the conquering invader and the local sources which has made it famous as a spa town.

Your guide will take you through the delightful lanes filled with fountains, (there are said to be over 100 in all!) and grand period residential buildings. You will visit many of the town's landmarks including the elegant Place de l'Hotel de Ville and just nearby, the daily produce market on Place Richelme as well as the Saint Sauveur Cathedral that was built on the site of a Roman temple to Apollo in the 5th Century, although building work continued up until 19th century! Inside you will find a 5th century octagonal baptismal font from the time when believers were immersed in water, as well as an important 15th century triptych of the Burning Bush.

Participate in one of the main local pastimes by taking the time to sit at a café table and sip a coffee whilst watching the world go by.

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### La Ciotat and Cassis

After your visit of Aix en Provence, late morning, head to La Ciotat and drive along La Route des Crêtes, a winding road that follows the cliff tops between La Ciotat and Cassis. You will make a few photo stops with the final one offering breathtaking views over Cassis and the Calanques in the distance.

Your next stop is the fishing village of Cassis where you can enjoy a stroll along this beautiful fishing port, the beach and in the village itself as well as enjoy lunch, perhaps the famous Bouillabaisse, a local fish stew, overlooking the beautiful fishing port.

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### Drive to the French Riviera

After lunch, you will head towards the French Riviera your last destination on our journey. The drive is about 1 hour and 30 minutes.

## Day 11

### Antibes market and Picasso Museum

Antibes is situated on the coast and has the largest marina in the Mediterranean where some of the world's largest and most lavishly appointed yachts have Port Vauban as their home port.

Every day apart from Monday there is the small and very local market on the Cours Massena, try the Socca cooked on a wood fire at the top of the market, a chickpea flour flatbread very typical to the region. Some interesting artisans offer their wares in the town's ramparts and you can maybe see Didier Saba the glassblower at work.

After your walk through the town, we will on to the Picasso museum, which is located where the Maestro was offered the possibility of installing his workshop in 1946. Here you can admire over 245 works by the artist as well as works by Nicolas de Staël, Fernand Léger and Hans Hartung, engravings by Paul Leuquet and sculptures by Germaine Richier and Joan Miró.

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## Cannes

Cannes has linked its name to the world of cinema since 1946, a long sequence which lasts for 70 years, a romance on the big screen under the eyes of the whole world. The 7th art offers to this former fisherman's village an exceptional visibility, a great view on a natural and cultural heritage of great richness.

The old path of the small cross has become the most famous promenade of the French Riviera, La Croisette with its palm trees, its palaces, its luxury boutiques and its sumptuous Art Deco buildings, the boulevard opens a turquoise way on the bay of Cannes and on its two beauty spots, the Lerins Islands.

Here, we propose you to enjoy a walk on the famous Croisette, to discover the Suquet district and to do some shopping in the Rue d'Antibes.

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## Mougins and the MACM

The village of Mougins is one that often gets left to the side when visiting the French Riviera and yet it was frequented and inhabited by many artists and celebrities including Pablo Picasso, Jean Cocteau, Fernand Léger, Francis Picabia, Man Ray, Arman, Yves Klein, César Baldaccini, Paul Éluard, Yves Saint Laurent, Christian Dior, Winston Churchill, Catherine Deneuve, Édith Piaf and Jacques Brel, to name but a few.

Pablo Picasso spent the last 12 years of his life living in Mougins (1961-1973), where he died.

The centre of the village is a maze of narrow streets with shops and galleries and sculptures regularly adorning the different squares.

Mougins has a strong culinary history with such great chefs as Roger Vergé and Alain Ducasse having managed restaurants in the village, you will notice that many of the street names have been renamed after great chefs and each year there is a Culinary Festival, "Les Etoiles de Mougins"

One of our favourite features of Mougins is the The Musée d'Art Classique de Mougins (MACM) was opened in June 2011 and in our minds is one of the most interesting museums on the Riviera today.

The museum's large and diverse collection of antiquities includes Roman, Greek and Egyptian sculpture, vases, coins, and jewellery, and also the world's largest private collection of ancient arms and armour. These ancient artworks are interspersed with a hundred classically inspired paintings, drawings, and sculptures by artists such as Picasso, Matisse, Chagall, Dufy, Cézanne, Rodin, Dali, Andy Warhol, Marc Quinn, Antony Gormley, and Damien Hirst. A seemingly eclectic mix, which actually blends in perfectly.

## Day 12

### St Paul de Vence

Saint-Paul-de-Vence is a beautiful perched village situate high above the hustle and bustle of the coastal area. The village is completely encircled by its 16th century ramparts built by order of King Francis I.

Arriving in Saint Paul you first come across the renowned auberge La Colombe d'Or, which has had a pleiad of artists as guests, such as Yves Montand, Chagall, Modigliani and Matisse, and it still houses many of their works.

Once you have passed the imposing gates, the medieval treasures inside will be revealed by your guide, and you will find some remarkable art galleries in its narrow streets, featuring prominent artists from around the world. Paul Chagall himself spent 19 years in St Paul and your guide will take you to his tomb in the village cemetery where you can maybe add your own homage to the others you will find there.

#### Optional Visit : Maeght Foundation

*After your visit of St Paul, you can also visit the Maeght Foundation if you enjoy art; an exceptional site that contains one of the most important art collections in Europe, with paintings, sculptures, drawings and graphic works of modern art from the 20th century (Bonnard, Braque, Calder, Chagall, Chillida, Giacometti, Léger, Miró, Ubac...) and contemporary artists (Adami, Calzolari, Caro, Del Re, Dietman, Kelly, Mitchell, Monory, Oh Sufan, Takis, Tàpies...).*

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## Tourettes sur Loup and Gourdon

This afternoon, discover a couple of the region's lesser known villages starting with Tourettes sur Loup, a stunning hilltop village which also houses some great restaurants including the Michelin starred Clovis (only open for dinners, expect for Sunday lunch), a seemingly "normal" bistro, who's offerings will surprise the gourmets amongst you!

The next stop is the breathtaking village of Gourdon, high above the Riviera backcountry, here you will be able to admire some of the most sublime views as far as the Mediterranean.

The drive down from Gourdon takes you through the beautiful Gorges du Loup, following the Loup River, where time permitting, you can make a stop at the Cascade de Courmes, a delightful waterfall close to the road.

### Day 13

## Nice

Start your day with the delightful market on the Cours Saleya, listed as one of the finest markets in France. After a stroll in the beautiful smells of Provencal products, take the Art Deco elevator to the "Colline du Chateau" the hill that overlooks the city and the old port, from here you can admire the view across the Baie des Anges and see the Promenade des Anglais with its grand buildings, witness to a time past when British royalty frequented the city. If you are in the city at midday, you will not be able to miss one of the eccentric traditions left by one of the British residents from that time, your guide will explain all on the day!

The old town of Nice is truffled with many unique shops ideal for bringing home a local souvenir, if you wish, the Place Massena has larger stores with the leading French and international brands readily available.

Nice is also famous for the artists that resided there, notably Marc Chagall and Henri Matisse, both artists are celebrated in two museums in town that can be visited on request.

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## Eze Village

Perched in an "eagle's nest" at the height of an imposing and superb cliff, the village of Eze and its light ochre church can be seen from far.

Once inside, you will discover a small Provencal village filled with charm and colourful window boxes, offering a panoramic view of the sea and coast-line.

Small narrow roads, archways and superbly restored stone houses, shady squares, refreshing ancient fountains... you will soon be seduced by the marvels of Eze. The village is so beautiful, it's hard to believe you have not stumbled onto a movie set! You will discover the village and also the Exotic gardens that offer sublime views over St Jean Cap Ferrat and the Mediterranean.

### Insider Tip

If you want to get an even more stunning view and have the village of Eze in the shot, then we can include the drive to the Fort de la Revere above the Grande Corniche. The drive is a little sinuous, but upon arrival the only word needed is WOW!

Another stunning viewpoint nearby is the Tête de Chien, overlooking Monaco a vertiginous experience!

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## Monaco and Monte Carlo

Monaco is a fascinating city to visit, with the old part of town on the "Rocher" or Rock where you can discover the splendid Oceanographic museum, which is a lot more than just an aquarium! (It houses the collections created by Albert I of Monaco during his various research expeditions around the world.)

In the Cathedral you can see the tombs of Grace of Monaco and her husband Rainier III.

The Prince's Palace is also worth visiting and if you want to give it an exclusive feel, we can organise a private visit after closing time!

Obviously, we can't forget Monté Carlo where you will discover the Port and of course the legendary Casino. A visit of the main gaming room is possible and if you fancy you can settle yourself at one of the tables and try your luck. We can also access the private tables if serious gambling is requested.

There are also plenty of shopping opportunities in Monaco of the highest calibre with the creme de la creme in fashion, design and jewellery.

## Day 14

### Transfer to Nice Airport

Today is departure day and time to bid farewell to the glamorous Côte d'Azur.

Your driver will meet in your hotel lobby and transfer you to Nice Airport for your flight home or to your next destination.