France is a rich and fascinating destination that inspires those around the world in search of sophistication and pleasure. Echoes of the balls at the Court of the Sun King at Versailles, memories of the Renaissance in the Châteaux de la Loire or shadows of famous writers in Saint-Germain-des-Près at the Café de Flore, throughout the nation, the traces of its magnificent past live on. But far from resting on its laurels, the land of Human Rights and the Enlightenment continues to innovate and charm, from the table to the catwalk.
Paris has been described as the joy of living in a myriad of little things: the scent of a cup of coffee and croissants in the morning, elegant women in grey suits smiling in the streets, the smell of hot bread, the pungent smells in the food markets, the bouquet of a bottle of wine shared with friends, the trail of mythic perfumes wafting over the doorsill of luxury boutiques like incense in houses of worship in a country that believes only in life.

Paris is the mingled scent of books and bouquets of flowers and the baked goodness of children’s afternoon snacks in the city’s public gardens. The exquisite chocolate, spicy scents of the latest pastry shops, and the savoury deliciousness of Michelin-starred restaurants and impromptu picnics in park squares. It is the mineral fragrance that wells up in the foyers of Haussmannian buildings and from the alcoves of palace hotels, and the scent of the precious intimacy of its boutique hotels. And, always, Paris is the odour of the city’s wooden benches and the frivolity and cheerfulness of its neighborhoods.
Grand Hotel du Palais Royal *****

April 1 - 4 and April 9, 2022 (4 nights)
Two Junior Suite rooms including breakfast

Perfect location facing the Palais Royal Garden and close to all famous monuments in Paris, the Grand Hotel du Palais Royal is the unavoidable address for a chic Parisian stay. With interiors designed by Pierre-Yves Rochon and a classified 18th century façade, this gem is the quintessence of French elegance.

In a refined and exclusive style, our 68 rooms, some are connecting, and suites will offer your privileged clients a unique experience in a luxury and intimate atmosphere. Extremely light and airy, in subtle shades of color and arranged in beautifully designed comfort, the rooms and suites open on to glorious views over the Palais Royal, the wonder of the rue de Valois and, on the upper floors, a wider panorama over the picturesque roofs of Paris and its monuments.

Whether in its intimate terrace during a sunny day or in its elegant restaurant, enjoy healthy dishes at the Café 52 by our Chef Jean Baptiste Orieux. At the bar, it is time to taste wonderful cocktails created by barmen passionate by their art.

After a long stroll around Paris, your clients can enjoy a treatment in our Holidermie spa, the Turkish Bath or the Fitness Center where the focus is on well-being and relaxation. At the Grand Hotel du Palais Royal, the art of details exists.
April 1, 2022

Arrival

After your arrival by flight at Paris CDG airport, your private driver will wait for you right after the customs with a sign and will drive to Paris, XXX hotel.

Flight information TBA.
April 2, 2022

**Cooking class with Noémie**
In the heart of Paris, in the lively village of Batignolles, and a stone’s throw from the market, Noémie welcomes you in her kitchen. She awaits you in her workshop to teach you the fundamentals that have changed her way of cooking. Her cooking and pastry classes are for everyone: beginners or experienced, everyone can learn a specific technique that they can reproduce, and then venture out on their own to try many other recipes. It will also be an opportunity for her to make you aware of the products you will be working with, respecting the seasons and the origins. In the heart of Batignolles, she has chosen to install a welcoming and refined kitchen that allows everyone to enjoy a great moment of conviviality while cooking with high quality equipment.

**The Louvre**
Palace of the Kings of France from the Middle Ages, the Louvre became a museum during the French Revolution. The idea was to share the wealth of the royal collections with the population. It is the largest museum in the world with over 400,000 exceptional works of art from the Venus de Milo to Leonardo de Vinci’s Mona Lisa.

**Visiting the Louvre by your own**
Depending on what you’re interested in, explore the main rooms highlighting the key works and their contribution to the history of art. It’s also history being told through key works with the palace as a backdrop. The site itself was a witness to greatness, intrigues and even assassinations at the French court.
April 3, 2022

Paris at leisure

Ah Paris! No other city packs so much French style, grand monuments, amazing vistas, cafes that are so typical, boutiques and art around every corner. It’s the city of glamour and romance with a distinguished history and some difficult times. The result is a harmonious blend of medieval and flamboyant 19th century architecture, mansions and classic squares dating from the Enlightenment to small timeless villages like Montmartre.
The boardwalk of Deauville is legendary, tempting visitors to tread in the steps of the stars of cinema in between a spot of fabulous shopping in the town’s prestigious stores and a visit to the number one attraction in Normandy – the Mont-Saint-Michel. However, as extraordinary as it is, this icon of monastic art doesn’t totally eclipse other exceptional Norman treasures.

When you visit Normandy you’ll discover bucolic countryside where delicious cheeses abound, majestic cliffs steeped in myth, and unspoiled seaside towns immortalized by the painters of the Impressionist movement. There are immense sandy beaches, some of which are memorials to key events of the Second World War.
Le Normandy Barrière *****

April 4 - 6, 2022 (2 nights)
One Deluxe sea view room and One Deluxe city view room including breakfast

With lightly woven Toile de Jouy fabrics highlighted by the wood of the half-timbering,Hôtel Le Normandy cultivates a dazzling Anglo-Norman style.

The ribbed grain of the armchairs and comfortable king size bed shroud guests in a soft warmth. Cozy bars and chic brasseries perpetuate the joyful Belle Epoque elegance.

Dive into the private pool, daydream on the Planches boardwalk, place a bet at the Casino and visit the American Film Festival. Deauville is at your door.
Château La Chenevière *****

April 6 - 9, 2022 (3 nights)

One Suite with extra sofa bed and One Deluxe room including breakfast

Set close to Omaha Beach and the historic town of Bayeux, Port en Bessin conceals a treasure that lies at the end of a long drive « Château La Cheneviere ».

Impeccable lawns, ancient trees and a charmingly old-fashioned rose garden... arriving on the estate is like strolling onto the lands of an English Lord who fell under the spell of Calvados region. The manor appears at last, a dignified Norman edifice from the 18th century, it combines the charms of an old house with the conveniences of a cosy English Manor.

Discover the two restaurants, Le Botaniste, the gastronomic restaurant open every evening from Tuesday to Saturday, where Chef Didier Robin’s cuisine invites you to a fine dining experience and Le Petit Jardin our bistronomic restaurant awaiting for you in la Cheneviere’s old conservatory. The menu focuses on fresh, high-quality products, all locally sourced from the Château’s vegetable garden. Le Petit Jardin is open from Thursday to Monday for lunch and dinner.
April 4, 2022

From Paris to Normandy

After breakfast and checking out, you will leave Paris with your guide-driver.

Start of an emotional drive into the history of art. In less than an hour and a half you will be in the beautiful gardens of Claude Monet brought to the world’s attention through his extraordinary paintings. This is followed by a guided visit of Honfleur where Monet spent so much time.

Giverny
Monet lived with his big family in this house for over 40 years and transformed the garden into a floral paradise where every month is a riot of different colors. You can also see the waterlily pond that he frantically painted in the last period of his life and now part of 20th century artistic iconography. You can visit the house, get a sense of his work and his passion for color and life.

Honfleur
As you go through through Sainte Adresse, you will see where Monet painted ‘Impression Soleil Levant’ as well as the André Malraux museum. It holds the most important collection of impressionist paintings outside of Paris and the city was rebuilt after extensive bombing in 1944. You can also explore Honfleur which is considered as one of the most beautiful villages of France with its half-timbered houses dating from the 17th and 18th centuries. There is also a unique 15th century St Catherine’s Church which is built entirely out of wood and the largest surviving church of its type in France.
Deauville and Pays d'Auge

Take off in a sand yacht
Want speed on the sand? Taste the freedom during a sand yachting course on wet sand, riding on the beaches of Blonville-sur-Mer and Villers-sur-Mer! A real sand kart thanks to its speed and piloting, sand yachting is accessible to everyone, adults and children alike. In a half-lying, half-sitting position, you will take the wind, you will fly on two wheels and feel the breeze on your face. The sessions last 2 hours and are supervised by an instructor.

Deauville is the most popular weekend getaways for Parisians. Deauville was created in 1861 for wealthy Parisians with its casino, race course, and extravagant villas. You can follow the boardwalk with it cabins named after American film stars, past visitors to the Deauville Film Festival.

Gastronomy
In Deauville, taste the delicious ice cream of Martine Lambert.

Pays d’Auge, the heart and taste of Normandy
You will go through the hills of the most well-known region of Normandy: half-timbered houses, apple orchards, villages huddled around centuries-old churches, not to mention the famous cows that produce the milk that go into the making of famous cheeses such as Brie and Pont l'Evêque. Your guide will make you discover the typical chateaux of the region, the small coastal towns popular with Parisians and some calvados/cider producers.
April 6, 2022

Plunging into the D-Day

This morning, after breakfast you will leave Deauville and depart for the WWII Landing Beaches.

You start with Pegasus Bridge famous for its lightening attack by British troops just before the landings. You then move on to the English and Canadian sectors before arriving in the charming city of Bayeux.

Mulberry port and the German canons
Mulberry is the artificial port built by the Allies in the English sector and it can be seen at Arromanches. This incredible engineering feat established the vital supply lines for the Normandy landings. Your guide will also show you the only German guns that were not dismantled after the end of the war.

Bayeux, the city that was saved
Bayeux is the only medium-sized city that was not destroyed at the liberation. Close to ‘Gold Beach’ it was used by the English as their base for further incursions inland. It’s a charming city with a medieval treasure, the Bayeux tapestry. It was made almost a 1000 years ago is 70 meters long and can be seen in the Bayeux Museum.
April 7, 2022

The American sector

From Utah to Omaha, you trace the heroic steps of the American GI’s who landed on June 6, 1944. From the Sainte Mère Eglise liberated by paratroopers and other soldiers who arrived on gliders to the military cemetery. It’s an emotionally charged day, whatever your nationality or history.

Sainte Mère Eglise and the airborne heroes

Sainte Mère Eglise became the symbol of this night attack with a paratrooper hanging on the church steeple during the battle. With a visit to the museum you will discover the operational complexities and experience what it’s like to fly in a glider.

Pointe du Hoc and the emotion of the American Cemetery

Pointe du Hoc is certainly the place that bears the biggest scars from the battle of Normandy. This famous operation carried by 225 Rangers involved climbing a 30 m cliff to neutralize German gun positions. The command bunker is also the most interesting along the coast and you will discover the immensity of the beach. Above, is the American cemetery with 9300 tombs perfectly aligned, a truly sobering moment.

Experience the D-Day out-of-beaten track

With theatrical visits, by night. Imagine: you are dropped in the middle of the night, in the countryside, feel the emotion of parachutists landing in a hostile and unknown environment. You will have to avoid the German patrols, to find the German guns of Holdy, and destroy them. Uniformed extras, stunts, special effects worthy of the cinema.

Another approach of the history, made more alive thanks to the account of veterans, and of local anecdotes put in scene throughout the course.
April 8, 2022

**The Mont Saint-Michel and fishing in the bay of Saint Malo**

Discover one of the great wonders of the world by climbing to the top of Mont Saint Michel using stairs that are hidden from public view. You can explore the incredible abbey and visit the top of the bell tower which is only open to a happy few.

Mont Saint Michel is a unique site. It is a medieval village perched on a rock in the middle of a bay, with constantly shifting tides giving it a mythical dimension. The history of the abbey begins in 708 and its history is peppered with anecdotes and legends from the centuries. On the countless steps to the summit, the views shift, mixing grey rooftops, the vastness of the bay and the shifting sands constantly forming new shapes.

**Fishing**

No doubt the whole idea of coming to the Saint-Malo area was inspired by an insatiable desire to tuck into a huge seafood spread! Shellfish, oysters, crabs and other seafood are the central part of all the best holiday memories!

**Sea fishing (option 1)**

How about a spot of sea fishing for your own table? A trip out to sea with a guide to discover sport fishing for bass, mackerel and bream. Several techniques are available including, rock fishing and surf casting.

**Cockling at low tide (option 2)**

At low tide, discover the foreshore as it is uncovered, a huge expanse of wet sand with an abundance of shellfish, ideal for your aperitif! Cockles, clams, periwinkles and razors abound.

**Gastronomy**

Taste the salt-meadow lamb: raised on the pastures of the Bay of Mont-Saint-Michel, the salt-meadow lambs are renowned for their incomparable flavor, which is why they are AOC. What gives this unique taste to their flesh is the grass irrigated with sea water, rich in salt and minerals, on which the animals feed.
April 9, 2022

Late morning, your private driver will drive you to Bayeux or Caen train station.
You will embark into the regional train to Paris (1st class seats). Duration 2h30 mins.
Once in Paris, your private driver will drive to your hotel in Paris.

A cocktail on a rooftop (reservation only, payment direct)
Like many Parisian business men at the end of their work day you sip a cocktail on a terrace of a big Paris hotel, relax and watch the world go by with a view of the Paris rooftops and monuments.
April 10, 2022

**Departure**

After breakfast and checking out, your private driver will drive you to Paris CDG airport. *Flight information TBA.*
**DETAILS OF THE SERVICES**

**April 1, 2022**
Private transfer CDG airport / Paris, Grand Hotel du Palais Royal
English-speaking driver. Mini-van, Mercedes
*Overnight: Grand Hotel du Palais Royal*

**April 2, 2022**
- Morning: for 2 persons, private round trip transfer to cooking workshop in the 17th district of Paris, from 10.30 am to 2.00 pm. Small group workshop (max 8 persons) traditional French meal including a starter, a main course and a desert. The lunch is served with mineral water, a glass of French wine and coffee or tea. After the workshop, private transfer to hotel or Louvre Museum.
- 4 tickets with reserved entry time to the Louvre Museum. Visit on your own.
*Overnight: Grand Hotel du Palais Royal*

**April 3, 2022**
Free day
*Overnight: Grand Hotel du Palais Royal*

**April 4, 2022**
Check out. Departure for Normandy at 9.00 am
Private English-speaking licensed guide-driver services. Transfer to Normandy with 2 stops on the way: Giverny (1.5 hours) to visit Monet's Gardens and Honfleur (1.5 hours).
Entrance fees are included for Giverny. Other entrances are not included. Meals are not included
*Overnight: Le Normandy Barriere Deauville*

**April 5, 2022**
Private English-speaking licensed guide-driver services. Pick-up at hotel at 9.30 am and return at 5.30 pm
Morning: sand yachting session near Deauville
Afternoon: Pays d’Auge’s gourmet tour including cheese and cider tastings
Food tastings are included. Meals are not included
*Overnight: Le Normandy Barriere Deauville*
April 6, 2022
Check out. Private English-speaking licensed guide-driver services. Pick-up at hotel at 9.30 am and drop off at 6.30 pm
Guided visit of Pegasus Bridge, Arromanches and Bayeux’s Tapestry Museum
Entrance fees are included. Meals are not included
*Overnight: Château La Chenevière*

April 7, 2022
Private English-speaking licensed guide-driver services. Pick-up at hotel at 8.30 am and drop off at 5.30 pm
Guided visit of Sainte Mère Eglise with the Airborne Museum, the Pointe du Hoc and the American cemetery of Colleville-sur-Mer
Entrance fees are included. Meals are not included
Evening, 8.00 pm: private transfer to Sainte Marie du Mont for the D-Day night tour from 9.00 pm until 11.00 pm. The driver will remain with you for the translations
*Overnight: Château La Chenevière*

April 8, 2022
Private English-speaking licensed guide-driver services. Pick-up at hotel at 9.30 am and drop off at 6.30 pm
Morning: guided visit of the Mont Saint Michel. Afternoon: optional sea fishing from Saint Malo with a specialist guide
Entrance fees are included. Meals are not included
*Overnight: Château La Chenevière*

April 9, 2022
Check out. Private transfer to Bayeux or Caen train station. 1st class train tickets to Paris (regional train), duration 2h30
Private transfer from Paris train station to hotel
Afternoon free
Evening: reservation at a rooftop bar for a cocktail or a dinner (payment direct). Transfers not included
*Overnight: Grand Hotel du Palais Royal*

April 10, 2022
Private transfer Paris, Grand Hotel du Palais Royal / CDG airport
English-speaking driver. Mini-van, Mercedes