



## A Week In... Paris and Provence

A custom trip planner prepared for Fine Traveller

By Your Consultant with Fine Travel



Welcome Fine Traveller to Tauck's Paris and Provence Trip Planner!

"Art" and France are inextricably intertwined... and on this wonderful trip to Cannes, Provence and Paris, you'll explore the artistic and cultural fabric of the country. See for yourself the magnificent locales in the south of France that inspired artists such as van Gogh and Cézanne, then visit Paris, home to many of their great works – and most notably, a work of art itself! Make 2019 the year to find your own inspiration – and with just about every travel expense included, Tauck's inclusive value makes this dream vacation a reality.

Our unique access to this region means we're continuously researching and defining each day to provide you with quality experiences throughout. Our Tauck Directors provide warm, caring, thoughtful personalized service throughout *A Week In... Paris and Provence*, taking care of every detail so you connect with people and places, centuries-old traditions, and daily life. You'll enjoy locally guided, in-depth sightseeing that provides memorable cultural connections; a taste of regional cuisines; and stays at wonderful hotels in Cannes, Provence and Paris.

We've made great friends with local experts who have opened their hearts to us, warmly inviting us to learn more about their artistic and architectural achievements, local traditions, and rich history. Memorable experiences including an olive oil tasting and dinner, a guided tour of Musée du Louvre, a visit to Palais des Papes, an adventure walk on the Pont du Gard and more make for a truly exceptional journey.

We've built our business on one principle – to provide guests with the very best travel experience possible, with an uncompromising focus on personalized service, quality experience and inclusive value. Just about every travel expense is included in one up-front price; there are no hidden costs, no surprises – and no options sold on tour. Traveling with Tauck is peace of mind travel at its best.

In your Trip Planner, you'll find just about everything you need to know to make your decision to visit Paris and Provence with Tauck. You'll find a day-to-day itinerary, destination information, hotel details, practical tips, useful advice to prepare for your trip, and more – Tauck's expertise is right at your fingertips.

I encourage you to make your reservation soon to be sure to get the departure date you want – space is filling quickly! Call Your Consultant with Fine Travel at 0800 00 3463.

*Merci* – that's French for thank you – and I hope you join us in France!

Sincerely,

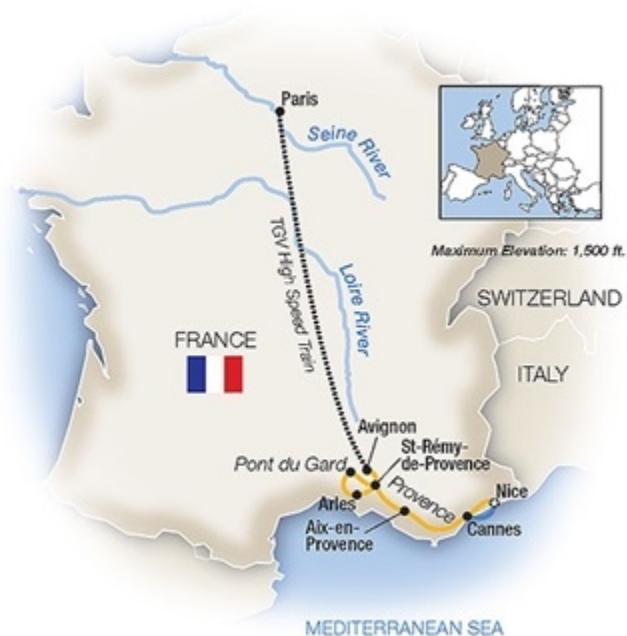
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Daniel W. Mahar, CEO

# YOUR PERSONALIZED QUOTE

## A Week In... Paris and Provence

Tauck's enticing weeklong tour of southern France takes you from the turquoise shades of the Côte d'Azur to the pastel palette of Provence to glittering, romantic Paris. Visit trendy Cannes and Nice; explore historic Avignon, Arles, and Aix-en-Provence, and see firsthand what inspired van Gogh in St-Rémy and Cézanne at Mont Ste-Victoire. Enjoy a tour and folkloric dinner at Moulin Castelas, an award-winning olive oil producer in Maussane les Alpilles; a guided adventure walk on the Pont du Gard; a locally guided visit inside Palais des Papes; and a high-speed rail journey to Paris for a three-night stay highlighted by a guided tour of the Louvre and dinner at a popular restaurant. There's no better way to experience France's many charms in one week!



QUOTE: FINE TRAVELLER'S TRIP, DEPARTING ON JUNE 30TH, 2019

### Room 1 - Double

Tour Cost:	\$4,590 USD per person
Guest Protection Plan:	\$315 USD per person

### Due Dates

Deposit Due Date:	February 9th, 2019
Balance Due Date:	May 1st, 2019

### Totals

Deposit Total:	\$1,830 USD
Booking Total:	\$9,810 USD

Note: Above quote was compiled based on the information available to us at the time you ordered this Trip Planner. It is not an offer to sell you the tour at the quoted price. Although not expected, prices in this quote may be subject to change due to unexpected significant external factors not forecasted at the time of quote; availability, tour details and other components may also be subject to change. Your quote does not include airfare to and from the tour start and end locations. Tauck's terms and conditions apply upon booking and depositing. Space is limited.

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## A Week In... Paris and Provence

### TAUCK VALUE INCLUDES

- TAUCK'S YELLOW ROADS! Traveling along the back roads of Provence is a vivid contrast of lush forests, olive groves, deep valleys & ancient villages splashed with sepia tones
- TAUCK EXCLUSIVE - Exclusive after-hours visit to the Louvre Museum on select departures! Tours of April 21, May 26, August 25, September 1 & 29 and October 6 will enjoy a private after-hours visit to the Louvre on the evening of Day 5 - without crowds!
- A guided adventure walk on the Pont du Gard
- Tour and folkloric dinner at Moulin Castelas, an award-winning olive oil producer in Maussane les Alpilles
- A guided tour of Musée du Louvre to see the *Mona Lisa* and *Venus de Milo*
- Inside visit to the Palais des Papes in Avignon with a local guide
- Wine tasting at a château near St-Rémy-de-Provence
- Airport transfers upon arrival and departure
- 14 meals (7 breakfasts, 2 lunches & 5 dinners), service charges, gratuities to local guides, admission fees, taxes and portage

### Day 1 - Arrive in Cannes on the Côte d'Azur

**Tour begins: 6:30 PM, JW Marriott Cannes.** A transfer is included from Nice Côte d'Azur Airport to the JW Marriott Cannes. Join us for a welcome cocktail reception and dinner this evening at your contemporary luxury hotel on Cannes' celebrated Croisette boulevard facing the Bay of Cannes, on one of the most famous waterfronts on the French Riviera. Please join us tonight for a welcome reception and dinner at your seaside hotel.

**Meals:** D

**Lodging:** JW Marriott Cannes



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### Day 2 - Cannes, a cruise to Nice & more

A marvelous day in southern France begins with a walking tour of Cannes – a popular Mediterranean resort for more than a century, and home to the world-famous annual Cannes International Film Festival since 1946. Then head off on a cruise along the Riviera (weather permitting) to seaside Nice for an orientation walk through the old city that recalls the days when aristocrats and royals spent their winters here. Enjoy some free time to explore as you please before an afternoon visit to Musée Marc Chagall, a national museum spotlighting religious-inspired works by the Russian-born painter who made France his home. Return to your hotel in Cannes for an evening spent as you please.

**Meals:** B, L

**Lodging:** JW Marriott Cannes

### Day 3 - Artistic Aix, a winery & van Gogh's St-Rémy

Imagine great artists like Paul Cézanne at work amidst the spectrum of colors found in Provence as you view Mont Ste-Victoire and join your local guide for a walking tour among the fountains, squares and medieval center of lovely Aix-en-Provence. After free time for lunch in Aix, visit Domaine de Valdition for an afternoon wine-tasting. Continue on to St-Rémy-de-Provence, where Dutch artist Vincent van Gogh spent one year of his life at a monastery that served as an asylum; his stay here resulted in a period of creativity that produced 150 of his most beloved paintings including *Starry Night*, *Wheat Field with Cypresses* and *Irises*. You, however, will spend two nights in town at charming Le Vallon de Valrugues & Spa.

**Meals:** B, D

**Lodging:** Le Vallon de Valrugues & Spa

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## Day 4 - Lovely Arles, the Pont du Gard & olive oil

No journey in southern France is complete without exploring the Provençal landscapes that inspired van Gogh, where olive groves, cypress trees, and flowers the colors of the rainbow greet you. Travel today to ancient Arles, exploring the historic Old Town noted for its narrow streets, medieval stonework and lingering evidence of its ancient Roman residents. Then take an adventurous guided walk on the famous Pont du Gard, an ingenious 2,000-year-old Roman aqueduct spanning the River Gardon, before visiting Moulin Castelas, an award-winning olive oil producer in Maussane les Alpilles; their product is a delight, as you'll discover on a tour of their orchards. Travel a short distance for a Provençal evening – enjoy a Provence-style dinner and a presentation of Provençal folklore.

**Meals:** B, D

**Lodging:** Le Vallon de Valrugues & Spa

## Day 5 - The ancient walls of Avignon & a fast train to Paris

Avignon has reigned as one of Europe's most beautiful medieval cities since the 14th century, when it was briefly the capital of Christendom and the home of the popes. A visit inside the fortress-like Palais des Papes with a local guide reveals the treasures and lifestyles of the pontiffs who reigned in Avignon for almost 70 years. Explore more of the walled city on your own, before traveling first class this afternoon on the high-speed *TGV* train to inimitable Paris. This evening, you're in for a culinary treat – dinner at Aux Lyonnais, the popular Alain Ducasse bistro in Paris.

**Meals:** B, D

**Lodging:** Sofitel Paris le Faubourg

## Day 6 - Bonjour la Cité... exploring the sights of Paris

A guided orientation tour today gives you a great overview of Paris and includes the Arc de Triomphe, Champs Élysées, Place de la Concorde, the Eiffel Tower and Cathedral of Notre Dame. Join us for a lunch affording memorable views of landmark sights, then explore the city as you wish for the rest of the day and evening.

**Meals:** B, L

**Lodging:** Sofitel Paris le Faubourg

## Day 7 - The treasures of the Louvre & a grand farewell to Paris

Join our local guide this morning for a visit inside the legendary Musée du Louvre, where you'll view some of the world's most famous art masterpieces, including the *Mona Lisa* and the *Venus de Milo*. Spend the afternoon at leisure and join us for our farewell dinner tonight at a well-known brasserie, Les Ombres, with spectacular views of the Eiffel Tower – and bid adieu to Paris with gourmet food and wine.

**Meals:** B, D

**Lodging:** Sofitel Paris le Faubourg

## Day 8 - Journey home

**Tour ends: Paris.** Fly home anytime. Your transfer is included from Sofitel Paris le Faubourg to Charles de Gaulle International Airport, Orly Airport or a Paris train station. You should allow a minimum of 3 hours for flight check-in.

**Meals:** B

# ACCOMMODATIONS

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## A Week In... Paris and Provence

### JW Marriott Cannes

Night 1, 2 - Cannes, France



Situated on La Croisette, only steps from the ocean in legendary Cannes, JW Marriott Cannes provides an unparalleled combination of 5-star luxury and convenience. With vibrant decor, modern amenities, and sweeping coastal views of the French Riviera, the hotel offers a prime location next to the Palais des Festivals, home to the world-famous Cannes Film Festival. Guests benefit from an outdoor swimming pool and cutting-edge fitness center, as well as the hotel's close proximity to historic local attractions in Cannes and a stunning beachfront location. Spacious guest rooms feature a pillowtop mattress and duvet; 32-in. LCD TV with cable/satellite/premium movie channels; private

bathroom with separate tub and shower, lighted makeup mirror, hair dryer, robe and slippers; chair, alarm clock, in-room safe, writing / work desk, iron and ironing board, and coffee maker / tea service. JW Grill Cannes, the hotel's signature restaurant, offers a traditional steakhouse experience as well as fresh seafood and popular regional dishes. At Le Panorama Rooftop Snack and Bar, you can take in scenic views of the gorgeous Cannes skyline while enjoying a refreshing cocktail, while the Lobby Bar Lounge is the perfect place for a nightcap after a long day in Cannes, as well as a restaurant serving everything from finger sandwiches to Black Angus burgers.

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### Le Vallon de Valrugues & Spa

Night 3, 4 - St. Rémy de Provence, France



Located just outside St-Rémy-de-Provence, Le Vallon de Valrugues & Spa is a peaceful oasis in the heart of Provence. Comfortable guest rooms welcome you with air conditioning, plasma-screen TV with satellite channels, minibar, WiFi and in-room safety deposit box. During leisure time, enjoy the 25-meter outdoor swimming pool and tennis courts, take advantage of the fitness room, play a game of billiards, relax in the sauna and Jacuzzi or just stroll through the beautiful gardens. The casual Bistrot is a great place for lunch and dinner or choose to dine in the gastronomic restaurant offering innovative Provençal cuisine.

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### Sofitel Paris le Faubourg

Night 5, 6, 7 - Paris, France



An oasis of calm surrounded by boutiques, embassies and cultural attractions at the center of Parisian haute-couture, the 5-star Sofitel Paris le Faubourg exquisitely reflects the fashion and luxury of the Faubourg St. Honoré district in a decidedly modern interior designed by Didier Gomez. With a contemporary design inspired by the opulence of the 18th century, luxurious guest rooms provide a cozy atmosphere in striking contrast to the bustle of the French capital, boasting a comfortable MyBed, marble bathroom with Hermès products and crystal-clear Bose sound system. Within the chic universe of the Sofitel Paris le Faubourg, savor the innovative cuisine of the Les Collections restaurant;

discover the latest trends for lunch and cocktails in the popular Bar30; allow yourself a moment of relaxation in the 24-hour well-being center featuring an "Experience" steam room; or leave stress behind with the latest Technogym equipment in the fitness room.

# EXTEND YOUR JOURNEY

## A Week In... Paris and Provence

Many Tauck travelers prefer arriving at their destination a day before their Tauck journey begins, or often extend a stay at the end of their trip. As a service, Tauck will make hotel reservations before and after your journey. Rooms are reserved on a space-available basis, and the cost is added to your tour cost. Call Your Consultant with Fine Travel at 0800 00 3463 to book your hotel with Tauck.

### Arrive Early: JW Marriott Cannes

Cannes, France



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#### 2019 Hotel Room Rates

June 7 - July 9

#### Double

\$584

#### Single

\$555

#### Triple

\$668

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#### 2019 Hotel Room Rates

May 13 - July 14

Sunday - Saturday

Monday - Thursday

#### Double

\$637

#### Single

\$632

#### Triple

\$782

\$723

\$874