

Day-by-Day Itinerary
Black Paris and a Taste of France
11 Days/9 Nights
Cultural Tour of France
Paris, Bordeaux, and Sarlat, Dordogne
October 20, 2022 – October 30, 2022

Day 1 - Depart for Paris, France

Depart the USA for Paris. Your flight includes meals, drinks, and in-flight entertainment.

Day 2 - Arrive in Paris - day at leisure. Later in the day why not explore the dynamic area around your hotel. Or visit some of the famous attractions in Paris - Champs Elysées, Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Napoleon's Tomb, the Marais district, or the lively Opera area with its well-known department stores. Optional tours will be provided for this day.

Tonight you will visit a Jazz Club. Paris has always had a strong affinity with jazz. Le Duc des Lombards is one of the main jazz clubs in Paris, France.

Day 3 – Paris City Tour

Today begins with a Paris City Tour, Seine River Cruise and Eiffel Tower tour. See Paris' main attractions in a five-hour Paris city tour that includes a coach tour, a leisurely cruise along the Seine River for an incomparable view of Paris, and a breathtaking panorama from the second level of the Eiffel Tower.

Included tour: Paris City, Seine River Cruise and Eiffel Tower (5 hours)

Overnight: Paris Meals: Breakfast

Day 4 - Black Images at the Louvre Tour

Today we take a guided tour of the Black Images at the Louvre Museum. The Louvre is the most visited museum in the world. However, few travelers realize that the Louvre's collections contain magnificent works that depict Africans and persons of African descent. In the evening, why not take in a dazzling show at the Moulin Rouge or Lido Cabaret or relax into a wide choice of lively jazz shows and dinner/concerts in the Latin Quarter or Montparnasse area. Included tour: Guided tour of Black Images at the Louvre Museum – Black European Art Overnight: Paris

Day 5 – Black Paris City Tour

Today we take a private bus tour and learn about the history of Black's in Paris. You will hear about the lives of writers such as Richard Wright, James Baldwin, Chester Himes, and others. Learn about the black heritage of the great French writer Alexandre Dumas, and the author of the French law that declares slavery a crime against humanity. See where Josephine Baker, Sally

Hemings and Sidney Bechet lived and worked along the Champs-Elysées and the surrounding area. Hear the exciting stories of The Entertainers in the 1920s Black Montmartre district. Included tour: Private guided Black Paris Tour and lunch at a Black-Owned restaurant.

Overnight: Paris

Meals: Breakfast and lunch.

Day 6 – Day at Leisure

Leisure day in Paris to explore, shop or relax.

Overnight: Paris

Day 7 - Paris to Bordeaux

Depart for Bordeaux via train. The trip will take about 2.5 hours. Enjoy the view of the countryside as you whiz past hay bales, sunflower fields and woods.

Welcome to Bordeaux! We have two days to sightsee this fascinating region. After arriving, enjoy a city walking tour with a private tour guide.

Overnight: Bordeaux

Day 8 - Bordeaux – Bordeaux Wine Tour

During our stay we will visit a winery, tour a wine cellar, and enjoy wine tastings. We will visit various vineyards and taste some of the wines of this world-famous region. This full day guided tour will allow you to discover the worldwide renowned Bordeaux wine region.

Overnight: Bordeaux

Included: Bordeaux Wine Tour and Tastings

Meals: Breakfast

Day 9 – Bordeaux to Sarlet

Today we drive further south to the Dordogne region and directly to the former home of Josephine Baker and her Rainbow Tribe family. Prepare to be deeply touched during our exclusive guided tour of Chateau des Milandes, which is now a permanent exhibition displaying her furnishings, show mementos, medals of Honor, costumes and personal effects. Linger after the tour, have an exquisite lunch of local specialties then a stroll through the superb manicured gardens. Lunch on your own.

Included tour: Tour of Josephine Baker's Chateau des Milandes.

Overnight: Sarlat Meals: Breakfast

Day 10 - Sarlat – Day at Leisure

No town in southwest France puts on a country market like Saturday morning in Sarlat. Josephine shopped here in her day for fresh strawberries, walnuts, and *foie gras* as well as home furnishings and local crafts. Feel the atmosphere she loved with a guided tour of this impeccably preserved medieval city, explore the cobblestone backstreets on your own or take a side trip to the stunning World Heritage Site of the oldest existing pre-historic cave drawings at Lascaux.

Why not enjoy dinner at one of the city's top restaurants?

Overnight: Sarlat

Optional tour: Guided tour of Sarlat.

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Meals: Breakfast

Day 11 – Sarlat to Bordeaux

Today we head back to Bordeaux, where you will be transported to the airport for your departure flight with wonderful memories of France.

Itinerary may be modified slightly to accommodate arrival time into Paris. All tours will be completed.

Note: Tips for driver and tour guides are not included. Please budget about \$5 a day for driver and tour guide.