

## FRENCH SCENTS

### French Riviera & Paris

#### *Day 1*

Arrival at Nice airport with private transfer in deluxe vehicle with English-speaking chauffeur. Check in at hotel in Saint-Paul de Vence. Your charming Riviera home has all the discrete charms of a 16<sup>th</sup> century manor house decorated in a Provencal style. The remainder of your day is at leisure to enjoy the quaint shops and cafes of this charming artisan town.



#### *Day 2*

After a leisurely breakfast, your driver will escort you to Nice. Food writer, Cordon Bleu-trained cook and longtime French resident, Rosa, invites you to join her for a market tour followed by a cooking class in her renovated 17th-century apartment that is only steps away from the vibrant food market and the Quai des Etats-Unis. The fresh, lively scent of a Menton lemon, the caramelized texture of long-cooked onions, the bracing chill of that first sip of rosé, les Petits Farcis — this isn't just about flavors — it's about a pleasurable day spent shopping at the Cours Saleya market and preparing an authentic Niçois meal.



After your class with this outgoing chef, you will enjoy lunch at his Michelin-starred restaurant. This is a real gourmet treat. Afternoon is at leisure in Nice to walk along La Promenade des Anglais and enjoy the vistas of the Mediterranean Sea, enjoy the stylish boutiques or people watch at one of the local cafes.



#### *Day 3*

This morning you will be whisked away to the town of Grasse, known around the world as the “scent capital” of France. This elegant, small town offers the visitor many hidden treasures. You will enjoy a wonderful perfume workshop in the laboratory of the Molinard perfume factory. Your instructor will welcome you in a specially equipped “classroom lab” and will explain the basics of perfume-making. Learn which fragrances match your skin-type and personality, and create your own perfume to take home.



Afternoon at leisure to enjoy the town of Grasse or return to Saint-Paul de Vence. Take an enjoyable stroll in either town and get a sense of this wonderful area of Provence with all it has to offer its visitors.



## *Day 4*

After a delicious breakfast, your chauffeur will drive you to Nice airport for your short flight to Paris. Upon arrival at Charles de Gaulle Airport, you will be met by your personal driver and escorted to your luxurious hotel in the heart of the city of lights.

Enjoy this day to explore this city of lights and all its wondrous sites – the Louvre museum, world renowned for its incredibly vast collection of art; the Eiffel Tower, an icon known and appreciated around the globe; Notre Dame Cathedral built between the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> centuries in the Gothic style; L’Arc de Triomphe situated at the crossroads of the 12 major avenues of Paris; Montmartre district known for the beautiful church of Sacre-Coeur and its artistic community; and so much more.



## *Day 5*

After breakfast in your charming hotel, enjoy a morning at leisure for sightseeing, shopping or just relaxing.

In the afternoon your chauffeur will meet you in your hotel lobby to transport you to a wonderful cheese shop where you will partake in a cheese tasting class. You should be aware that France has over 365 different types of cheeses – one for every day of the year! So it is no wonder that the French are so knowledgeable and passionate about this wonderful dairy product. Your afternoon activity will be filled with practical and interesting information about this French staple and of course will include cheese tastings.

Evening is at leisure.



## Day 6

After breakfast you will have the pleasure of meeting with a gourmet food journalist who came to France to write and began working with food guru, Robert Noah. Start your outing by a visit to the famous Poilâne Bakery. Learn the secrets of fine French bread and finish your visit by a tasting! Continue to the “Grande Epicerie” du Bon Marché. It is one of the most interesting food merchandisers of Paris where caviar, cheese and other delicatessen are set as jewels! Follow with a visit to another special place where food is considered as jewels too: The Hermé deluxe pastry shop. Treat yourself at the end of the visit by a taste of some of their famous chocolate sweets! If you want to feel the Parisian food ambiance, you cannot miss the Famous Rue de Buci’s Street Market for the pleasure of all of your senses! It is one the best open air markets of Paris! To complete your Parisian food emersion, you will reach the Da Rosa Street to enjoy a wine, ham and tapenade tasting in one of its best gourmet shops!



You will have the rest of the day at leisure for some last minute shopping.

## Day 7

After breakfast you will be met at your hotel for a private transfer to Charles de Gaulle International Airport.

### INCLUSIONS:

- 6 nights deluxe accommodations (3 nights in Paris; 3 nights in Saint Paul de Vence)
- all transfers in private luxury vehicle with English speaking driver
- private panoramic half day tour of Paris with professional English speaking guide
- perfume workshop in Grasse to design your own personal fragrance
- Riviera market visit with French food expert followed by private cooking class and lunch
- private cheese tasting class
- personal Paris food tour with gourmet food writer
- daily breakfasts
- all taxes

**PRICE PER PERSON:** based on double occupancy  
\$6,995 Cdn.