

Normandy & the Champagne Region November 3 - November 11, 2025

From \$4,098 Air & Land 9 Days, 8 Nights Including Hotels, Meals, Day Trips, & Airfare from New York Featuring an Optional 2 Night Paris Extension



Embark on a journey through the splendors of France with our exclusive three-destination program. Immerse yourself in the charm of Normandy & the delightful Champagne Region before culminating your adventure in the enchanting capital, Paris. This extraordinary itirerary offers adventure, history, culture, & exquisite tastings amidst breathtaking landscapes & grand settings. Begin your tour in Caen, the heart of Normandy, where you'll savor the authentic flavors of France during your stay. Step back in time & explore the historic D-Day Normandy invasions of World War II. Delight in the captivating beauty of Mont St. Michel, with a gravity-defying Benedictine abbey. Visit the historic port of Honfleur & taste freshly made Camembert. Continuing to the Champagne Region, you'll be enchanted by the historic city of Reims. Here, immerse yourself in art-deco cafes & the world of champagne production. Indulge in France's signature sparkling vintage at a prestigious Champagne House. Extend your journey to iconic Paris, "The City of Light," & experience an array of cultural delights, from world-class art & daytime activities to its vibrant nightlife. This incredible tour offers a seamless blend of unforgettable experiences, from historical sites to culinary delights, all set against France's most marvelous landscapes.

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Included Features:

- **ROUND TRIP AIR** Air transportation from New York
- FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS 7 nights first class hotels
- MEALS 10 included meals consisting of 7 buffet breakfasts
 &3 dinners
- THE PROGRAM Sightseeing, including local guide & all entrance fees as follows: panoramic tour of Caen, a Mont St. Michel tour, a tour of of Honfleur, Camembert & cider distillery, a tour to the Normandy Beaches & Omaha Beach & museum, Reims City tour & a tour of Epernay & the champagne region including tasting
- JOURNEY OF DISCOVERY SERIES Our program encompasses cultural connections, in-depth learning on the local economy & social systems, & interaction with locals such as a visit to an Apple cider distillery, champagne tasting in Reims
- QUEST VOYAGER PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR -Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour upon arrival in Paris
- FIRST-CLASS MOTORCOACHES Touring by private first-class airconditioned motorcoach
- **BAGGAGE HANDLING & TRANSFERS** Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport

Optional Extension to Paris:

- FIRST-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS 2 nights first class hotels
- MEALS 2 included meals consisting of 2 breakfasts
- **THE PROGRAM** Sightseeing, including local guide & all entrance fees as follows: a city tour of Paris, the Eifel Tower & River Seine cruise. Optional tour available
- QUEST VOYAGER PROFESSIONAL TOUR DIRECTOR -Assistance of a professional Tour Director for the entire length of the tour
- FIRST-CLASS MOTORCOACHES Touring by private first-class air-conditioned motorcoach
- BAGGAGE HANDLING & TRANSFERS Baggage handling for one piece of checked luggage outside of the airport





Destination Highlights: Discover Caen • French Cheese • The Normandy D-Day sites • The Benedictine abbey of Mont St. Michel • Reims • The historic port of Honfleur • The village of Camembert • Enjoy a tasting experience at Calvados Christian Drouin Distillery in Pays d'Auge • Walking tour of historic Reims • Sip on France's signature sparkling vintage on a Champagne House Tour • The French way of life • Discover Paris, City of Light • Arc de Triomphe • Champs-Elysees • Notre Dame Cathedral • Montmartre's Sacré-Cœur • Eiffel Tower • Palace of Versailles & more

The Tour Price: is \$4,098 per person, double occupancy, including a free Gems of Reims EBD tour. For single occupancy, add \$799 (limited availability). Fuel surcharges of \$350 & land taxes & other fees are currently \$150 per person are included. Fuel surcharges & taxes are valid at the time of printing but are subject to change. The price of \$4,098 is an early bird special if the program is reserved with a deposit by March 16, 2025. The price increases by \$100 per person (\$4,198) & the Gems of Reims tour is \$79 per person after this date.

Optional Paris Extension: \$799 double occupancy, add \$299 for a single supplement. Please note: Though rare, it may be necessary to substitute hotels & adjust itineraries/tours at guide's discretion due to local conditions. For full pricing details & to reserve click the red link on the front page of this brochure.



Day 1 Depart the USA Begin your thrilling journey as you depart from the USA on an overnight flight to the enchanting city of Paris, France. Enjoy meals & beverages onboard.

Day 2 Arrive in Paris, France - Caen - City Tour Welcome to the captivating "City of Light," Paris. Upon clearing customs & immigration, your tour director will warmly greet you as your adventure begins. Along the way to the magnificent city of Caen, your home base, for the next four magical nights you will enjoy an insightful panoramic Caen city tour, exploring the rich history & heritage of Normandy's capital. See the Castle of William the Conqueror, the Church of St-Pierre & more. Onwards you check into your hotel. Relax & enjoy an included dinner at your hotel, savoring French culinary delights. (D)

Day 3 Caen - Normandy D-Day Tour - Caen Enjoy breakfast at your hotel before embarking on a full-day tour with your tour escort & specialized Battlefield Guide to the hallowed grounds of the Normandy D-Day sites. Immerse yourself in history as you explore the Arromanches clifftops & observe the British military artifacts showcased in the Caen Mémorial collection. Pay your respects at The Normandy American Cemetery & reflect at the Walls of the Missing. Continue to the Omaha Beach Memorial Museum, a poignant tribute to the young men who made the ultimate sacrifice during the American naval landing. (B)

Day 4 Caen - Calvados Christian Drouin Distillery - Honfleur - Camembert - Caen Begin your day with a Calvados Christian Drouin Distillery tour. This distillery is nestled within half-timbered 17th century buildings in the heart of the Pays d'Auge. Here, you sample its world-famous brandy. Next, tour Honfleur, a beautiful coastal town on the estuary where the Seine River meets the English Channel. See its old harbor, lined with 16th to 18th century townhouses, the subject for artists including Claude Monet & native son Eugène Boudin. Then see the 15th-century St. Catherine's Church, a vaulted timber structure erected by shipbuilders. After some free time for lunch, you drive through the rolling hills of Normandy to Camembert. The village of Camembert is a storybook escape & the birthplace of its iconic cheese. Stroll through quaint streets lined with traditional cottages & let the aroma of cheese guide you to a local fromagerie. Here, indulge in a creamy, traditional Camembert tasting as cheesemakers share their passion & stories. Camembert offers a feast for the senses—a slice of French rural life you'll never forget. Conclude the day with a delightful dinner back in Caen. (B,D)

Day 5 Caen - Mont St. Michel - Caen - Wake up to a glorious day with a breakfast at your hotel & head out on an excursion to the breathtaking Mont St. Michel, one of France's most iconic landmarks. As you approach this tidal island, you'll be captivated by its towering spires & medieval walls rising dramatically from the sea. A UNESCO World Heritage Site, Mont St. Michel is a masterpiece of architecture & history. Wander its narrow, cobblestone streets lined with charming shops & cafes & ascend to the awe-inspiring Benedictine abbey perched at its peak. Here, marvel at the intricate details of its design & enjoy panoramic views of the bay, where the tides famously sweep in & out. (B)





Day 6 Caen - Reims After breakfast at your hotel, bid farewell to Caen & transfer to the splendid city of Reims. Stop in the historic town of Rouen, renowned for its half-timbered buildings & breathtaking gothic cathedral. Continue your journey to Reims, nestled in the spectacular Champagne region. (B)

Day 7 Reims - City Tour - Epernay & Champagne Tour - Reims Enjoy a captivating city tour of Reims, including the revered Reims Cathedral. Your exploration continues with a visit to the picturesque village of Epernay, renowned for its abundance of major Champagne houses such as Moët & Chandon, De Castellane, Mercier, & Pol Roger – all situated along the Avenue de Champagne. Here enter a famous Champagne house & traverse the cellars & caves to learn about this world-famous bubbly beverage. Then toast to life & adventure with an exquisite champagne tasting. (B)

Day 8 Reims Indulge in breakfast at your hotel & bask in a day of leisure or join an optional excursion to discover the Gems of Reims. Begin with visiting the Palace of Tau, a UNESCO World Heritage Site & former residence of French monarchs & the Archbishop of Reims. Embark on a walking tour to explore the captivating Art Deco architecture of Reims. End the day with an unforgettable farewell dinner at a local restaurant in Reims. (B,D)

Day 9 Reims to USA or extend your stay with an optional Paris extension Today journey back to Paris for your return flight to the USA. Alternatively, embrace the opportunity to extend your stay with an optional Paris extension to continue your journey of discovery. (B)

Optional Paris Extension

Day 9 Reims - Paris - City Tour Following a delightful breakfast at your hotel, prepare to embrace the "joy of living" in the captivating city of Paris today! Begin with a sightseeing cruise on the Seine River, offering enchanting views of Parisian landmarks. Then, join a half-day panoramic Paris tour, mesmerized by the iconic attractions, including the Arc de Triomphe, Champs-Elysees, Notre Dame Cathedral, Montmartre's Basilique du Sacré-Coeur, & the Eiffel Tower, where you will enjoy access to the top. (B)

Day 10 Paris - Montmartre - Paris This morning enjoy a walking tour of endless discoveries in Montmartre. Then enjoy a free afternoon to visit the Louvre, stroll down the Champs-Elysees, or watch the Parisian world go by. Alternatively, take an optional half-day tour to the opulent Palace of Versailles, an extraordinary UNESCO World Heritage Site & a remarkable 17th-century masterpiece. Gain a captivating glimpse into the world of French royalty, showcasing exquisite architecture, stunning gardens, & a rich historical legacy that has left an indelible mark on French history & culture. (B)

Day 11 Paris to the USA Today bid farewell to the city of love & enchantment as you transfer to Paris airport for your return flight home. Depart enriched with cherished memories of your captivating journey through France's historical wonders, the mesmerizing Champagne region, & the incomparable city of Paris. (B)

(B) – Breakfast, (L) – Lunch, (D) – Dinner. This tour is classified as a level 2 program - A light activity tour. There is easy walking throughout the day. Plan to get on & off the coach/boat, light walking tours, some stairs & uneven surfaces, through cities & sights like museums. For insurance information Standard & Cancel for Any Fortuitous Reason, go to: https://www.travelinsure.com/questvoyager/