



## *Southwest of France Luxury Tour: An Idyllic Getaway*

*9 Nights*

*November 2017 – April 2018*



### **Summary**

*From the most elegant châteaux to the perfect glass of red wine, the luxuries of Southwest France invite you to indulge and enjoy the moment. On this customized Southwest of France Tour, you'll visit the region's highlights: sunny Toulouse, charming Provence, regal Biarritz and the beautiful Bordeaux wine country. Step back in time and into the scene of storybook castles, medieval villages, seaside resorts and the idyllic vineyards. You'll enjoy guided France tours of the monumental churches and châteaux and wander through hidden streets of historic towns. Visit prestigious wineries of the Médoc and Saint-Émilion while sampling world-renowned wines.*

### **Wild Discovery Advantages**

- A proven expertise in organizing successful holidays
- Experienced and knowledgeable staff
- High quality service & strong commitment to customer satisfaction
- Permanent assistance from Wild Discovery Head Office at any moment
- Attention to details that make the difference

### **Overview**

**Dates:** November 2017 – April 2018  
**Interest:** couples – family – seniors – group  
**Level of Comfort:** 5/5  
**Minimum # of passengers:** 2  
**Maximum # of passengers:** none

### **Information about the destination**

- **Currency:** Euro
- **Language:** French - English
- **Transportation:** private car or bus
- **Dialing Code:** 33
- **Recommended vaccines:** none
- **Banks & currency exchange:** It is better to exchange currencies before you go

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**Day 1: Toulouse**

*Upon arrival at Toulouse's airport, meet greet and transfer to the hotel*

*Begin your tour in the beautiful city of Toulouse, known as the "Ville Rose" ("Pink City") because of its lovely reddish brick buildings*

**Day 2: Toulouse**

*In the morning, your guide will meet you at your hotel and lead you on a walking tour through the city. You'll walk over to the impressive Mairie de Toulouse (City Hall) to admire its splendid neoclassical architecture. Then you'll visit the exquisite Basilique Saint-Sernin, a church that was built in honor of a Christian martyr. An important stop on the medieval "Way of Saint James" pilgrimage, the basilica was built in the Romanesque style with five aisles (like many of the churches along the pilgrimage route), to accommodate the crowds of pilgrims.*

*You will also have a chance to see the Cathédrale Saint-Étienne*

**Day 3: Camargue Region - Saint-Thibéry**

*Today you will travel through the rugged countryside of Provence until you reach the Mediterranean Sea. Your destination is Saint-Thibéry, a quiet little village surrounded by a natural reserve*

*Rest of the day at leisure*

**Day 4: Camargue Region - Saint-Thibéry**

*This morning, enjoy the slow pace of life in Provence, a region that follows the gentle rhythms of nature. In this idyllic rural location, you'll enjoy two wonderful days of rest and relaxation. You can sunbathe on the terrace, take a dip in the pool or go for a stroll through the gardens. Outdoorsy travelers can take long hikes through the Camargue countryside, a beautiful and wild landscape where hawks and eagles fly high above the grain fields*

**Day 5: Carcassonne - Biarritz**

*Today you'll drive to one of the most interesting places in the Southwest France, the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Carcassonne. This perfectly intact medieval walled city appears to be straight out of a fairytale*

*Take a virtual journey to the Middle Ages, as you explore this incredible fortified city*

*After your excursion to Carcassonne, you'll head west toward the Atlantic Ocean until you reach Biarritz.*

*An upscale seaside resort, Biarritz was a favorite holiday destination of England's Royal Family in the 19th century*

**Day 6: Biarritz**

*Enjoy a leisurely day in Biarritz. You'll have plenty of time to relax by the beach and go for strolls along the pathways overlooking the ocean*

**Day 7: Biarritz - Bordeaux - Saint-Émilion**

*This morning, you'll take a two-hour drive from Biarritz to Bordeaux*

*Because of its exceptional wealth of historical monuments, UNESCO declared Bordeaux a World Heritage City*

*Continue to Saint-Émilion and check into your hotel*

*Enjoy a restful night's sleep in the countryside and wake up to birds chirping in the gardens*

**Day 8: Guided Tour of Saint-Émilion and Wine-Tasting in the Médoc**

*Today you will experience two highlights of the Bordeaux region: a visit to the UNESCO village of Saint-Émilion and wine tasting in the Médoc. Begin your guided tour in the medieval village of Saint-Émilion, an exceptionally charming hilltop village in France. Your guide will take you on a walking tour through the town's labyrinth of ancient cobblestone streets. From some of the highest points in Saint-Émilion, you can admire spectacular views of the Bordeaux countryside. Enjoy a pleasant stroll, pop into quaint boutiques and stop to relax in the public squares. After seeing the village of Saint-Émilion, you'll tour two châteaux (prestigious wineries) that produce wines of the Saint-Émilion appellation. Enjoy a guided tour of the wineries along with a tasting of the renowned Saint-Émilion wines*

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#### Day 9: **Médoc**

Continue your wine-tasting experience in another of the famous Bordeaux wine regions, the Médoc. This famous wine region is bordered by the Atlantic Ocean and the Gironde Estuary, which contributes to its gravelly mineral-rich soil, which is ideal for growing vines

After your visit, you may continue sightseeing in the Médoc. You could take a short drive along the Gironde Estuary to the charming villages of Pauillac and Saint-Estèphe that are well known for their wine appellations

#### Day 10: **Bordeaux**

Transfer to the airport for your departure flight

#### Prices Include

Round trip ticket to Toulouse, return from Bordeaux (economy class)

Round trip transfer: airport – hotel – airport

9-night accommodation at hotels

Meals: daily breakfast

Tours and excursions as per the program

Assistance of our representative in France

#### Prices Exclude

Airport taxes

Fuel surcharge

DIP surcharge \$5/ticket

Optional Tours

Visa fees

Travel insurance

All other expenses

#### Starting Price Per Person in US\$

Hotel	Double
3* Hotel	4370
4* Hotel	5075
5* Hotel	8215

- Prices may change without prior notice and subject to availability at time of booking

#### Flight Schedule

From	To	Flight No	Departure	Arrival
Beirut	Paris	ME 209	02:05	05:45
Paris	Toulouse	AF 7516	07:20	08:40
Bordeaux	Paris	AF 7625	10:30	11:50
Paris	Beirut	AF 5106	13:40	18:55

#### Payment facilities available with CFC

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