

# Normandy, Brittany, & the Loire Valley

## March 29-April 05, 2025

### INSIGHT VACATIONS

#### Included Features:

- Tour & hotel accommodations
- Transfers to/from Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport
- Meals as detailed on day-by-day itinerary

#### Airfare & Hometown Transportation:

- Airfare and Transfers to be determined at a later date.

#### Tour Itinerary

Date	Itinerary
Mar 29	Welcome to Paris
Mar 30	Rouen, Honfleur, and Deauville
Mar 31	Normandy Beaches & D-Day Landings
Apr 01	Mont Saint-Michel & Saint-Malo
Apr 02	Villandry Experience
Apr 03	Drive Along the Loire Valley
Apr 04	La Beauce & Chartres to Paris
Apr 05	Au Revoir Paris

*Itinerary is subject to change without notice at the discretion of the tour operator.*



# Rooms & Pricing

## Double Occupancy      \$3780.00

Rates are per person based on double occupancy. Single, triple, and quad occupancy rates are available upon request . Round-trip airfare will be an additional cost and will be determined at a future date.

**PAYMENT:** A deposit of **\$200.00 per person** is due at time of booking to hold your reservation. Final payment is due to AAA Travel no later than **January 07, 2025**. Payments are accepted in the form of cash, check (made payable to AAA Reading - Berks), or most major credit cards.

**Transfers** will be determined after final payment has been collected. A 10 - passenger minimum is required to confirm transportation from AAA Reading Berks. If private transfers are preferred, please contact your Travel Consultant for a quote with Infinity Limousine.

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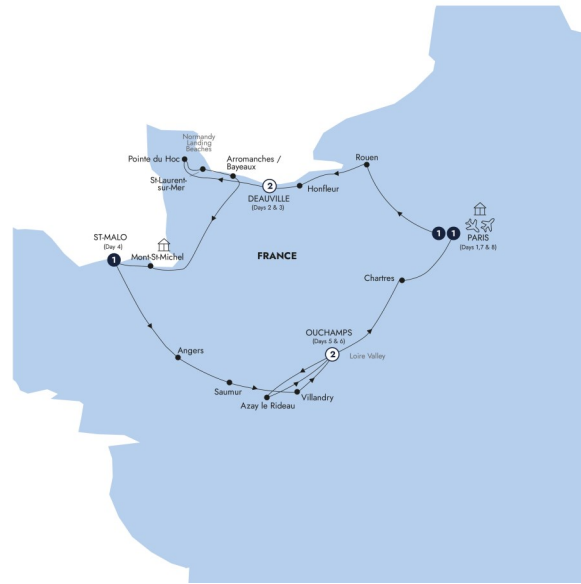


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### Day-by-day Itinerary

#### **DAY 1 - SATURDAY March 29, 2025 : Welcome to Paris**

##### **MEALS: Dinner with wine**

##### **HOTEL: Le Méridien Etoile**

After checking in, the capital's grand boulevards and world-famous landmarks are yours to explore. Meet your Travel Director and fellow guests at the hotel before enjoying a Welcome Dinner at a local restaurant with cuisine inspired by fresh home-made recipes.

#### **DAY 2 - SUNDAY March 30, 2025 : Rouen, Honfleur, & Deauville**

##### **MEALS: Breakfast**

##### **HOTEL: Hotel Barrière L'Hôtel du Golf**

Follow the River Seine to Rouen, capital of Normandy, to admire its ancient cathedral - a masterpiece of Gothic style and the subject of a series of paintings by Claude Monet. Wander through the narrow streets beneath the Great Clock to the Old Market Square. Here, a superb modern church commemorates the burning of Joan of Arc on this very spot in 1431. Continue to the charming fishing town of Honfleur and wander along the harbor or stroll through the colorful streets. Close by, meet a farming family who grow apples to produce local juice, cider and calvados of Normandy. Sample the local produce paired with Normandy cheese. Later, arrive at your luxurious hotel, located in the chic seaside resort of Deauville.

#### **DAY 3 - Monday March 31, 2025 : Normandy Beaches & D-Day Landings**

##### **MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner with wine**

##### **HOTEL: Hotel Barrière L'Hôtel du Golf**

Follow the route of the Rangers and visit the bunkers and the Rangers Memorial at Pointe du Hoc. Then with a Local Expert, spend a few reflective moments at the American Military Cemetery of Saint-Laurent, near Omaha Beach. Explore Normandy with Insight Choice. Choose to visit the D-Day Museum in Arromanches and see the remnants of the artificial port in the bay. Alternatively, visit the Bayeux Tapestry Museum and learn about the epic story of William, Duke of Normandy becoming the King of England. This evening you are treated to a delightful dinner, which promises creative cuisine, seasonal ingredients and delicious wines.

#### **DAY 4 - TUESDAY April 01, 2025 : Mont Saint-Michel & Saint-Malo**

##### **MEALS: Breakfast**

##### **HOTEL: Hôtel Le Nouveau Monde**

Journey through bocage country and explore the hilltop abbey of Mont Saint-Michel with your Local Expert. Situated on an island, the abbey is reached by a bridge across the shining sands. Behind the outer ring of defences huddles the small town - it's one street containing shops, cafes and hotels. Continue along the Emerald Coast to stunning Saint-Malo, situated on the Rance Estuary and one of the most charming places in France. A Local Expert will take you on an exploration of the City of the Corsairs. Walk through the maze of streets of Intra Muros, the walled city, home of Jacques Cartier and other celebrated voyagers. At your leisure, you can wander around the ramparts of the thick city walls, offering fantastic views over the old town and the bay. By night, the town's medieval maze of winding streets is abuzz with quaint bars and restaurants. Alternatively, you may wish to join an Optional Experience to Cancale, known throughout France for its oyster beds, for a delicious meal of fresh seafood and other Breton specialties.

**DAY 5 - WENDSDAY April 02, 2025 : Villandry Experience****MEALS: Breakfast****HOTEL: Relais Des Landes**

Villandry Experience Head south to follow the valley of the Loire, passing the moated Angers Castle. Cross the Loire to Saumur, where a local vintner will guide you through tastings of the region's delicious wines. Head to Château de Villandry, the jewel of the Loire, to visit the glorious sustainable gardens on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Ensure you don't miss the water, ornamental and kitchen gardens. This stunning sea of fragrant green herbs, silvery cabbages and purple basil is grown organically to re-generate the local ecosystem. This evening, your Celebration Dinner starts with a glass of local sparkling wine and continues with excellent service and delicious Farm-to-Table dishes in the most wholesome setting, ensuring the memory of your meal will linger long after you've returned home.

**DAY 6 - THURSDAY April 03, 2025 : Drive Along the Loire Valley****MEALS: Breakfast, Dinner with wine****HOTEL: Relais Des Landes**

Journey to the family-owned Château de Cheverny inhabited by the same family for over six centuries. Arrive through the forest and park lands with your Local Expert who will show you the château's decor and aristocratic costumes of the family through the centuries. Listen out for the hounds and find out about the connection with Tintin while you are there. Return to your superb château for relaxation and free time.

**DAY 7 - FRIDAY April 04, 2025 : La Beauce & Chartres to Paris****MEALS: Breakfast****HOTEL: Le Méridien Etoile**

Traveling through the vast wheat fields of the the Beauce region, Chartres Cathedral, nicknamed the 'Acropolis of France' by August Rodin, looms large on the horizon. Enjoy a guided tour of this architectural delight. From here, return to the French capital where your Travel Director introduces you to the fabulous sights of Paris, including the vast Place de la Concorde, where the guillotine once stood. Travel up the Champs Élysées to Napoléon's Arc de Triomphe. After dark, the City of Light really lives up to its name, when the monuments, buildings and bridges are lit up in all their glory. For that special touch of excitement and glamour, don't miss the chance to experience a world-famous cabaret show.

**DAY 8 - SATURDAY April 05, 2025 : Au Revoir Paris****MEALS: Breakfast**

Today, bid farewell to your journey along the country roads of France as you transfer to the airport.