

SHRINES OF FRANCE



12 Days/10 Nights

Departures

MARCH & APRIL at \$ **TBA***

EARLY MAY & OCTOBER at \$ **TBA***

NOVEMBER at \$ **TBA***

*The above rates are for payment by credit card, based on a minimum of 25 paying passengers. See back for discount cash and check rates. All rates are per person, twin occupancy, and include \$TBA air taxes and fees, and fuel surcharges (subject to change).



OUR 12-DAY/10-NIGHT SHRINES OF FRANCE ITINERARY:

DAY 1 – BOSTON~INTERMEDIATE CITY~LYON: Depart Boston's Logan International Airport aboard our transatlantic flight to Lyon, France (via intermediate city) with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, while in flight.

DAY 2 – LYON: "Bienvenue à Lyon!" Upon arrival at the airport, we will be met by our Tour Escort who will assist with our transfer. We will then visit the Basilica of Notre Dame of Fourviere and its Marion Museum, where one hundred statues of the Madonna are exhibited. Afterwards, we transfer to the hotel *Novotel Gerland* (or similar), where we check in for dinner and overnight. (D)

DAY 3 – LYON~ARS~NEVERS: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we depart Lyon and head northwest on a scenic drive to the small city of Ars. Upon arrival, we will enjoy a guided tour of Ars. St. John Vianney, known as the Cure of Ars, received many supernatural gifts from the Lord. We will visit the Basilica of Ars, where, in the new church, we see the saint's incorrupt body, the Shrine of the Cure's Heart, and his home. From here we continue on to Nevers and check into the *Hotel Kiriard* (or similar) for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 4 – NEVERS~PARIS: Following breakfast and hotel check-out, we will travel by motorcoach into the town of Nevers by way of the picturesque Loire Valley. After taking the veil in 1867, St. Bernadette spent twelve years as a member of the Congregation of the Sisters of Nevers. At least three times during her short lifetime, she received the last Sacraments. She was eventually struck by other illnesses as well as asthma, and died at the age of 35. We will see St. Bernadette's incorrupt body at the Convent of St. Gildard, miraculously preserved since her death in 1879. Next, we continue on to Paris and check in to the *Hotel Marriott Rive la Gauche* (or similar) for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 5 – PARIS: Following breakfast at our hotel, we will depart for the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal. Here, we will view the incorrupt body of St. Catherine Labouret, whose guardian angel led her to the chapel where the Blessed Virgin displayed a vision of the Miraculous Medal and later, the Green Scapular. The Virgin promised bountiful graces for all who wore these. Our sightseeing tour will include some of the most beautiful and important churches in the world, such as Notre Dame Cathedral and Sacre Coeur. We will also see the Eiffel Tower, L'Arc de Triomphe, and drive through the Champs Elysees. We will enjoy more sights on this mainly panoramic tour. We will then return to the hotel for some leisure time before dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 6 – PARIS~CHARTRES: Following breakfast, we will depart for Chartres, famous for its stained-glass windows and wonderful colors dating back to the 12th and 13th centuries. We will tour the Cathedral, followed by free time to explore Chartres on our own. We will return to Paris for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 7 – PARIS~LISIEUX: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we depart for a tour of Lisieux, the home of St. Therese whom Pope Pius X called "the greatest saint of modern times." Her extraordinary love for God and service to humanity comes alive as we visit the Basilica of St. Therese, one of the biggest and most magnificent religious structures built in the 20th century. During our stay in Lisieux, a Mass will be celebrated. We will stop at Les Buissonnets, St. Therese's family home. Here we will see relics, clothing, and personal objects belonging to "the little flower." We will also tour the ancient Cathedral of St. Peter and the Carmelite Convent. We will check in to *Hotel Mercure Lisieux* (or similar) for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 8 – MONT ST. MICHEL: After breakfast, we will enjoy a wonderful excursion to see the unique beauty of Mont St. Michel, one of the most famous abbeys in the world due to its location. Perched on a rock in the Gulf of Saint Malo, during high tide Mont St. Michel becomes an island fortress. The causeway to the mainland is only accessible during low tide. Return to Lisieux for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 9 – LISIEUX~TOURS: Following breakfast and hotel check-out, we will depart for the Loire Valley and arrive in Tours. Upon arrival we will visit St. Martin's Basilica, The Old Cathedral, and St. Martin Museum. We will check into our first-class hotel and enjoy time at leisure prior to dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 10 – TOURS~LOURDES: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will leave Tours for Lourdes. Upon arrival in Lourdes, we will check in to *Grand Hotel Moderne* (or similar). Afterwards we will enjoy some free time to explore our new surroundings or relax. Following dinner, there will be a candlelight procession. Overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 11 – LOURDES: Following breakfast at our hotel, we will celebrate Mass at the Grotto, enjoy a video presentation telling the story of Lourdes, and walk in the footsteps of St. Bernadette. We will see Boly Mill, where St. Bernadette was born, and the Cachot. We will walk the life-sized Stations of the Cross overlooking the Grotto as well as kneel in the chapel built in the very rock of the Grotto. There will be a Blessed Sacrament procession before dinner, as well as group rosary. Overnight at our hotel. (B, D)

DAY 12 – LOURDES~INTERMEDIATE CITY~BOSTON: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will transfer to the airport to board our return flight to Boston (via intermediate city) with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available in-flight. (B)

OUR SHRINES OF FRANCE TOUR INCLUDES:

- ✂ Round-trip motorcoach transportation to and from Boston's Logan International Airport. FREE with a minimum of 35 paying passengers. Additional charge with fewer than 35.
- ✂ Special meet-and-greet service and assistance at Logan Airport by a Durgan Travel Service Representative.
- ✂ Round-trip regularly scheduled flights Boston-Intermediate City-Lyon and Lourdes-Intermediate City-Boston, with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available in flight.
- ✂ All transfers and daily sightseeing aboard a private, deluxe, temperature-controlled motorcoach, with expert driver.
- ✂ 10-nights accommodations as described in the itinerary, based-on twin occupancy. The single supplement is an additional \$TBA per single. *ONLY 4 singles per tour.* Triples are available at the twin rate. Portage of luggage at the hotel (one large suitcase per person).
- ✂ Breakfast each morning (B) and dinner each evening (D)
- ✂ Comprehensive sightseeing package as described in the itinerary, including entrance fees where applicable.
- ✂ Service of a professional Tour Escort and English-speaking step-on guides where required.
- ✂ All room and meal taxes (for included meals), and gratuities to bellmen.
- ✂ Complimentary Durgan Travel Service flight bag and complete packet of required documentation.

A \$TBA DEPOSIT IS DUE UPON RECEIPT OF FLYER. THE BALANCE IS DUE 75 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE

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