



## **Taste of Provence from Monte Carlo**

4-Night Pre-voyage Land Journey

Program Begins in: Nice

Program Concludes in: Monte Carlo

Available on these Sailings:

Journey 24-Apr-2021

Selling price from: \$ 5,249 USD per person, double occupancy

Call 1-855-AZAMARA to reserve your Land Journey

This unique four-night program offers a rich immersion into Aix-en-Provence and its unique, regional gastronomic offerings. Your stay at the five-star Provençal manor, Le Pignonnet, is complemented by cooking classes, wine tastings, and a visit to a local chocolatier, all whilst uncovering local, architectural gems.

**All Passport details should be confirmed at the time of booking. Sales of this program close 90 days prior: book early to avoid disappointment, as space is limited.**

### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Four nights in Aix-en-Provence: Stay at the five-star Le Pignonnet, an 18th century Provençal manor with gorgeous gardens, once painted by Paul Cezanne. Dine in the restaurant here, which serves Provençal cuisine by celebrated chef Thierry Balligand
- Foodie Experiences: Market and organic vegetable garden tours, visits to a wine merchants, and a local goat cheese maker
- People-to-People Experience: Enjoy a cooking class and lunch at the home of a local chef
- Châteauneuf-du-Pape: Enjoy wine tastings at Domaine de Nalys and Chateau La Nerthe, plus a picnic lunch at Domaine de Nalys , and a visit to Chocolaterie Castelain for wine and chocolate pairings
- Local Experts: Embark on a walking tour of Aix with a local historian, including stops at Cours Mirabeau, the Mazarin area, Judicial Palace, and the Town Hall
- Marvelous Marseilles: Tour the heralded seaside town with visits to Pharo, Notre Dame de la Garde, Vieux Port Ombriere, Le Panier, Le Major Cathedral, and Fort Saint-Jean.
- This tour is a must for food and wine lovers.

## DAY-BY-DAY ITINERARY

### Day 1

Upon arrival to the Nice airport, you will be assisted to the train station for your trip to Provence. Upon arrival, you'll be met and accompanied to your hotel and, later this afternoon, meet with a local historian and embark on an off-the-beaten-path walking tour of the city. Aix-en-Provence hides invisible treasures, and the architectural heritage helps put the evolution of the city into perspective, as will your guide's narrative as you progress through town, going up the Cours Mirabeau, and visiting the Mazarin area, Judicial Palace, and Town Hall. This evening, enjoy dinner at your hotel.

### Day 2

This morning, head out and enjoy a market tour followed by a cooking class. At the market, meet local food producers, and select seasonal ingredients for your menu. Afterwards, set out to the chef's home, stopping along the way at a wine merchant to select wine pairings for your meal, and visit the local goat cheese maker at her ranch. After the short drive, crossing the 17th century Pont des 3 Sautets bridge, painted by Cezanne, you'll arrive at the 12-acre property. After a brief tour of the house and its organic vegetable garden, the cooking commences, with your active participation as you learn new culinary skills over approximately two hours of cooking. After, sit down to dine with chef and your fellow guests and take time to take a walk in the property's wild Provençal Garrigue that's filled with aromatic herbs. This evening, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

### Day 3

Today, embark on a full-day excursion to Marseille. Upon arrival, begin your exploration with a visit to the central fish market, and continue on to the Halles de la Major, the nearly 6500 sq. feet of specialty food-makers and growers. Next, it's time for a little sightseeing, starting at the Pharo. The promontory was once a mere rocky plateau, but it's here that Napoleon decided to build "a house at the water's edge;" then on to the famous Notre Dame de la Garde, the Vieux Port Ombrière, Le Panier, Le Major Cathedral, and Fort Saint-Jean. Return to your hotel at the end of the day, where dinner will be served this evening.

### Day 4

Another day, another excursion, starting with a visit to Chateauneuf-du-Pape, a village that's almost completely dedicated to its world-famous wine that's part of the Côtes du Rhone family. Visit the Domaine de Nalys, especially renowned for the quality of its white wines, and enjoy a picnic of fresh produce under the olive trees while appreciating breathtaking views of the Dentelles de Montmirail and the mythical Mont Ventoux. After lunch, continue to Château La Nerthe, which has been producing wine since the 12<sup>th</sup> century, with Certified Organic Farming since 1998. Finish your day by heading to the Chocolaterie Castelain for a chocolate and wine tasting.

### Day 5

This morning, after breakfast, you'll be shown to the train station for your journey to Nice where your driver awaits to take you to the port in Monte Carlo to board your Azamara® ship.

#### WHAT YOUR LAND JOURNEY PRICE INCLUDES:

- Arrival airport transfers to your hotel (all flight details must be confirmed 30 days prior or transfers are voided and non-refundable)
- 4-nights of accommodation at Le Pignonnet, Aix-en-Provence or similar -superior room
- Guided sightseeing in air-conditioned vehicle (exceptions may apply)

- Train ride from Nice to Provence / from Provence to Nice & transfer to Monte Carlo
- Services of Professional English-Speaking Guide(s) and/or Tour Director as detailed in your itinerary
- Meals and beverages, as noted in your itinerary
- All planning, handling and operational charges, including entrance fees to the venues as noted in your itinerary
- Gratuities

**NOT INCLUDED:**

- Any item we mention in itinerary as being optional or on your own account
- International and regional airfare, unless otherwise stated
- Meals other than those mentioned in itinerary
- Excess baggage fees imposed by airlines or storage fees charged by hotels
- The cost of personal items such as laundry, telephone calls, Wi-Fi, and additional incidentals, etc.
- Optional and additional exploration not included in itinerary
- Cost of obtaining passports or required visas where necessary. Contact your travel professional or the appropriate Consulates and/or Embassies to determine if you have proper documentation prior to commencement of travel.
- Transport between your home and home airport/port/station
- Travel Protection Insurance

**IMPORTANT NOTES:** This Land Journey involves a moderate amount of walking that may be strenuous at times. You will be required to walk up/down inclines and stairs, over paved, cobbled, and unpaved surfaces. We suggest you wear flat, non-slip walking shoes. This Land Journey is recommended to guests who are able to walk for extended periods, at a moderate pace. Guests who utilize a wheelchair may not be able to participate in all activities as described. If you require special assistance of any kind, please advise Azamara or your travel professional at the time of booking.

Purchase your flights to Nice through Azamara. If booking independently, ensure you have the correct city and arrival date prior to reserving your flights. Azamara is not responsible for any disruption to your Land Journey due to independently-booked air issues.

All programs have a limited capacity and are available on a first-come basis. A minimum number of guests is required to operate this Land Journey. Should that minimum not be met, the program will be repriced and guests will have the option to cancel or repurchase at the new selling price. Cancellation penalties begin 120 days prior to sailing and will include any non-refundable air costs. Please read the full details of your Land Journey contained in your final guest documents, emailed to you approximately 30 days prior to your cruise. If you have any additional questions or concerns regarding your Land Journey, please contact us at 1-855-AZAMARA (292-6272)

This description is a general overview of the highlights of this Land Journey. Your Land Journey is operated by a third party and their local representative. The local representative will do everything possible to ensure that all of the sites described here are visited, though the tour sequence is subject to change. Closure of some sites due to local or national holiday observances, flight schedules, weather or other factors may affect the Land Journey, and the local representative reserves the right to substitute other sites if necessary. All programs are priced per person, based on double occupancy and by departure date, and may vary from the price indicated on this

document. Single occupancy pricing may be available upon request but cannot be guaranteed. All pricing is subject to change. Book early for the best price.

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