



# SHORE EXCURSIONS

## Avignon to Lyon

**Viking Heimdal August 01, 2018**

### Enrich Your Journey

We believe the best journeys enrich and enlighten you, so we've developed great optional excursions that show you local culture—from architectural treasures to artistic masterpieces, natural wonders to historic marvels, and long-cherished traditions to culinary delights.

### What Sets Viking Excursions Apart

Our excursions are carefully designed by experienced, licensed and insured tour planners to provide the perfect overview of must-see cultural and historic highlights, with some delightful surprises. Professional, English-speaking guides give you an insider's view of their country and culture, bringing you closer to the art, architecture, history and people that define your destination. In many ports, we've timed our shore excursions for maximum immersion, letting you join up to three in one day if the schedule permits.

### Reserve Online at *MyVikingJourney.com*

Your invoice will tell you when your shore excursions are open for booking. Once they are available, log in to your account at *MyVikingJourney.com* and reserve them online for priority processing; there's no phone call to make. Though you can book your shore excursions up until 10 days before your sail date, we recommend reserving as soon as possible. You can do so with peace of mind as our website securely accepts credit card payments. After we process your payment, we will send your confirmation by email. If you prefer, you may call your Travel Agent to reserve your shore excursions.

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## About Your Excursions

Your cruise features one included excursion in each port of call; some are walking tours and others are via motor coach or a combination of walking and coach. Our excursion motor coaches are often just a few years old, are usually air conditioned and typically include restrooms. Drives rarely take more than two hours; nearly all have frequent sightseeing stops.

## Sundays & Holidays

In many countries, shops, public buildings and banks are closed Sundays and public holidays; also, businesses in smaller towns may close for several hours midday. In these cases, a particular excursion or portion of visit may not be available, and your itinerary will vary. If you're exploring on your own on these days, your Program Director or Viking Concierge can suggest alternatives.

## Optional Excursions

To further enhance your experience, we sometimes offer optional excursions should you want to visit an additional site or maximize your time in port. Details on these follow. Note that the order of visits may vary.

## Activity Levels

Walking tours are often over uneven ground or cobblestones and may include stairs and inclines. We've graded all our tours by activity level below, but feel free to ask your Program Director should you have any questions.

EXCURSION TYPE	ACTIVITY LEVEL	FEATURES
 Sightseeing	 Easy	 Meal
 Special Interest	 Moderate	 Snack
 Active	 Demanding	 Shopping
 Natural World	 Wheelchair	 Recommended
 Local Life		 UNESCO
 Working World		
 Privileged Access		 After Dark

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## ❖ Nice

### FRNICPSI01 Picturesque Nice

Duration: 3.50 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: July 30, 2018 Morning

**France's Jewel of the Riviera** -- Explore Nice, with its many inviting squares, Old Town, shops and cafes. With your guide, drive along the Promenade des Anglais, overlooked by magnificent palaces. Admire the Palais de la Mediterranee's splendid art deco facade and the neoclassical Negresco hotel. In the Russian district, view St. Nicholas Orthodox Cathedral. Next, ascend Cimiez Hill, home to world-class museums. Pass the Roman baths, Roman amphitheater, and Franciscan church and gardens before continuing along the Boulevard de Cimiez, lined with Belle Epoque villas. Pause at an overlook for sweeping views, then head to the Old Town for a walking tour past the Opera de Nice opera house, the famous Cours Saleya market, baroque churches and Matisse's yellow-hued home. You will have time to wander the maze of narrow medieval lanes before walking back to your hotel. Or choose to stay longer, perhaps enjoying lunch on your own at one of the city's charming restaurants.

### FRNICPSO01 A Night in Monaco

Duration: 6.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$149.00 USD



Date: July 30, 2018 Afternoon

**An Evening in the City of Glamour and Spectacle** -- Enjoy a walking tour through The Rock—the heart of Monaco's medieval quarter—with the spectacular Mediterranean as your backdrop, capping your stroll with dinner in Monte Carlo. Drive with your guide along a picturesque coastal road, passing through Villefranche, Beaulieu and Cap d'Avi. Upon arrival, visit St. Nicholas Cathedral (if the mass schedule permits). Consecrated in 1875, it is the burial site of the royal family, including American actress-turned-princess Grace Kelly. In Monaco's main square, the Place du Palais, pass by the Prince's Palace of Monaco, home to the House of Grimaldi since 1297. Then, continue by coach to Monte Carlo and enjoy a brief walking tour before your elegant dinner at the Cafe de Paris. After, you will have free time. If you wish, you may step inside the world-famous Monte Carlo Casino. Return to Nice via the breathtaking Middle Corniche and admire the coastline, illuminated against the night sky.

### FRNCEPS003 Panoramic Cote d'Azur

Duration: 7.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$129.00 USD



Date: July 31, 2018 Morning

**Ancient Antibes and Jet-Setting Cannes** -- Trace the scenic Cote d'Azur and explore two of its glittering gems during an enriching day along the coast. Drive with your guide from Nice, following the picturesque coastal road past Cagnes sur Mer and Villeneuve-Loubet. Upon arrival in the resort village of Antibes, enjoy a walking tour of the old port, once the heart of the ancient Greek city of Antipolis and today Europe's largest marina. Explore its Old Town, browse the market stalls and see the impressive ramparts. Continue to Cannes via a picturesque inland road. A walking tour leads you to the famous Palais des Festivals, or Film Festival Palace, along the famous Croisette promenade. During the annual gathering of the film industry, celebrities stay in the palatial hotels around you. See the Old Harbor and the Old Town, climbing the stairs to Le Suquet tower for magnificent views of the city and the Lerins Islands offshore.

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## ❖ Arles

### FRARLSEI02 Arles Walking Tour

Duration: 3.50 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 02, 2018 Morning

**City of Rome, City of Art** -- Experience the celebrated city of Arles (pronounced "Arl"), where remarkable Roman ruins, vibrant colors and a striking quality of light have inspired artists. Upon arrival, you will explore by foot, allowing you to immerse yourself in this energetic city of diverse architecture at the edge of Provence. Begin with a stroll to the massive Les Arenes, an ancient amphitheater able to seat 20,000. Continue to the Antique Theater, peering inside as you pass. This 1st-century wonder stood three stories tall and seated 10,000. Follow the Rue du Cloitre to the Place de la Republique, a bustling square that once hosted the ancient Roman Circus. Here, you will see the 15th-century Church of St. Trophime, a Romanesque triumph named for a 3rd-century bishop. A walk down the Rue de la Republique delivers you to the Espace Van Gogh, the local hospital that treated the artist and today serves as a cultural center.

### FRARLSEO02 Les Baux & Carrières de Lumieres

Duration: 4.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$74.00 USD



Date: August 02, 2018 Afternoon

**A Breathtaking Art Show and a Charming Hilltop Village** -- See a remarkable multimedia art installation in a former quarry, then ascend to the rock-hewn hamlet of Les Baux. Drive with your guide to the spectacular Carrières de Lumieres, an art installation space carved into an old quarry. The white limestone from this cave was used to build parts of Les Baux and other surrounding villages. Today, it is a stunning venue for art shows; 2017's innovative exhibit explores the "Fantastic and Wonderful World of Bosch, Brueghel and Arcimboldo." After time to marvel at the rich color and vibrancy illuminated on the quarry walls, continue to Les Baux to explore its dramatic and hilly cobblestone lanes. Take a guided walk here through the picturesque village, a fortified site painstakingly restored, nestled in limestone and crowned by castle ruins. Throughout this rewarding excursion you will traverse the bucolic Provencal countryside, viewing olive groves and rice fields.

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## ❖ Avignon

### FRAVNSEO05 Lavender Fields of Provence

Duration: 9.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$149.00 USD



Date: August 03, 2018 Morning

**The Scents of Provence** -- Learn about the legendary lavender that graces the fields of Provence each summer on this enlightening and fragrant full-day tour. Meet your guide and drive into the beautiful countryside of Provence. Stop in the hamlet of Sault to visit a working lavender farm. After a tour and lunch in the village, enjoy a leisurely drive past Ventoux villages and stunning lavender fields. Pause in St. Christol and Simiane la Rotonde to explore and to admire sweeping views of surrounding vineyards and fields. Then, visit Coustellet and the Lavender Museum, founded by a family that runs a vast lavender farm in a nearby village. Dedicated to the beautiful flower's cultivation, distillation and legend, this unique museum features a fascinating collection of objects and exhibits that chronicle its use by perfume makers and by civilizations dating back to ancient Rome.

Note: This seasonal tour is typically offered from mid-June to mid-July.

### FRAVNSEI01 Avignon Walk & Pope's Palace

Duration: 3.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 03, 2018 Morning

**The Remarkable Home of 14th-Century Popes** -- Visit the monumental palace that was the seat of seven popes and explore its medieval city. Avignon, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is known as the "City of Popes" because the papacy was relocated here from Rome, to great controversy, from 1309 to 1377. With a local guide, follow the historic center of narrow streets to the Place de l'Horloge, the city's central square, a scene of balconies, elegant facades and shading trees. Continue to the renowned Palace of the Popes for a guided tour. This fortress-church is gigantic, the largest Gothic building of the Middle Ages, dwarfing even the neighboring cathedral. After, continue to the Market Hall for an opportunity to taste olives and pickled garlic.

Note: The visit to the Palace of the Popes features many stairs.

### FRAVNSEO06 Flavors of Provence

Duration: 6.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$199.00 USD



Date: August 03, 2018 Morning

**Immerse Yourself in French Cuisine** -- Indulge your senses and learn to prepare French specialties during this engaging and flavorful culinary tour. Follow the Passage de l'Oratoire to the elegant Rue Saint-Agricol and Rue Joseph Vernet, two famed shopping streets lined with luxurious shops. Stop at La Cure Gourmande, a paradise of confections, chocolates and biscuits. After sampling some of its sweets, continue to Les Delices du Luberon, where savory tapenades and olive oils give you a true taste of the countryside. After, you will visit La Maison de Fogasses for an enriching cooking class. With your Provencal chef, you will prepare the local specialty, fougasse, and enjoy it as a starter. Then, help to make a seasonal entree that you will enjoy later with handmade eclairs, two glasses of local wine and coffee from one of the last French roasters in Avignon. After a satisfying and rewarding meal, return to your ship.

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### FRAVNSEO02 Pont du Gard Aqueduct

Duration: 4.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$64.00 USD



Date: August 03, 2018 Afternoon

**One of Ancient Rome's Great Architectural Marvels** -- See the magnificent three-tiered structure built without mortar by Romans 2,000 years ago. One of the most ambitious engineering projects of its time, the Pont du Gard aqueduct carried water to the Roman outpost of Nimes from the springs of Uzes, 31 miles away. It stands today as the greatest legacy of Marcus Vipsanius Agrippa, son-in-law of Augustus. Some of its stones weigh six tons and were lifted as high as 160 feet. You will journey to the aqueduct, which straddles the wooded banks of the Gardon River. Spend time at the site's museum, where you can observe the marriage of modern and ancient at fascinating, interactive exhibits. Then marvel at the huge structure that channeled 44 million gallons of water each day over a tiny gradient of 25 inches per mile for 31 miles. For form and function, it is surely one of the Roman Empire's most breathtaking remains.

### FRAVNSEO04 Chateauneuf-du-Pape Wine Tasting

Duration: 4.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$64.00 USD



Date: August 03, 2018 Afternoon

**Home to One of the World's Finest Wines** -- Explore the town named for its "Pope's New Castle," its centuries-old vineyard and its superb wines. Constructed in 1316 by Pope John XXII as a summer residence for the Avignon Popes, Chateauneuf-du-Pape and the town that grew up around it is one of the world's most celebrated wine-producing regions. Begin your excursion with a stop at Maison Bouachon for a wine tasting. Then, you will continue to the hilltop ruins of the castle, where you can take in sweeping views of the Rhone Valley and Avignon. Stroll or drive down to the charming village it overlooks to meet the vintners whose families have lovingly cultivated these vineyards for generations. They invite you to browse their winery cellars and learn the delicate blending process of their extraordinary wine. Toast your experience by sampling the distinctive bouquet and finish of these very special wines in the place of their birth.

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### ❖ Tournon

#### FRT73SEO01 Charming Ardeche

Duration: 8.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$179.00 USD



Date: August 04, 2018 Morning

**Lavender, Gorges and a Cliffside Village** -- Take in the natural beauty and endless charms of France's picturesque region shaped by the Ardeche River. Enjoy a scenic drive with your guide to learn about one of the region's most renowned harvests: lavender. You will stop at the Lavender Museum and see its distillery, where the essential oil is extracted from the flower. You can peruse the botanical garden, collection room and distillation warehouse. Continue to the Ardeche Gorge, one of France's most spectacular natural wonders. Stop to admire this deep ravine, known as the "Grand Canyon of Europe," and see the magnificent Pont d'Arc, a massive natural bridge that spans almost 200 feet across the gorge. Later, explore the picturesque village of Vogue on the banks of the Ardeche, called one of the most beautiful villages in France. Enjoy a guided walk past its medieval houses and colorful gardens and visit its charming castle before returning to your ship.

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### ❖ Viviers

#### FRVIVSEI01 Viviers Walking Tour

Duration: 1.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 04, 2018 Morning

**A Relaxing Stroll Through a Charming Town --** Enjoy a leisurely idyll in a charming riverside village. Viviers is a typical small town in southern France, sleepy and laid-back amid a beautiful mountain setting. To appreciate it to its fullest, you will join a local guide who knows the town intimately for a delightful stroll that brings out its peaceful ambiance. Amble along its most picturesque avenue, lined with sycamores, linger for a spell in the Place de la Roubine and see the Maison des Chevaliers, or Knights' House, a Renaissance treasure that stands as the oldest house in town. Along the way, you will also see the smallest cathedral in France, the 11th-century St. Vincent Cathedral, standing meditatively in the town square.

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### ❖ Tournon

#### FRT73SEI03 Tournon Steam Train

Duration: 4.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 05, 2018 Morning

**Ride the Rails into an Untouched Wilderness** -- Traverse one of France's most dramatic and picturesque corners during a train excursion into the wilds of the Doux Valley. You will make the short transfer to the train station and board the Train de l'Ardeche, a meter-gauge steam train and engine listed as French historic monuments. Embark this nostalgic railway and head into the verdant Doux Valley, a conservation area where panoramic views appear around every turn. This untouched region is inaccessible by road, making it a pristine wilderness of unrivalled beauty and clean air. You will skirt along the Doux River, chugging through the serene countryside, heading into verdant valleys and past sylvan woodlands. After you return to Tournon, you will enjoy a walking tour of the city before returning to your ship.

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## ❖ Vienne

### FRVIESEI01 Vienne Walking Tour

Duration: 3.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 05, 2018 Afternoon

**Explore a Rich Roman Past by Trolley and by Foot** -- Get to know Vienne and its rich Roman past on a fun and informative trolley excursion and a leisurely walking tour. You will board an open-sided trolley with your guide and enjoy a ride to Mont Pipet. Here, you can enjoy scenic city views and take some time to view the spectacular amphitheater built into the hillside, one of France's best preserved Roman theaters. Your trolley will leave you at Temple Square in the city center. Here, you will admire the Temple of Augustus & Livia, an incredibly preserved 1st-century structure that has only been out of use since the late 19th century. Then visit the enormous Gothic Cathedral of St. Maurice, built over almost 500 years. You can also spend time exploring an old Roman neighborhood, today's Garden of Cybele. Its grounds are dotted with fascinating Roman remains. Note that the order of this tour varies by group.

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## ❖ Lyon

### FRLIOSEI01 Panoramic Lyon

Duration: 4.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 06, 2018 Morning

**Part Parisian, Part Old-World France** -- See the magnificent highlights of this gastronomic and cultural center. You will begin with a drive to the Basilica of Notre Dame, at the top of Fourviere Hill. After exploring the interior of this spectacular church, enjoy sweeping views of the red roofs of Vieux Lyon (Old Lyon) and the narrow peninsula of land between the rivers comprising the atmospheric Presqu'ile shopping district. Next, drive through town past the flamboyant Gothic St. Jean Cathedral and the Palace of Justice, stopping at the city's famed Painted Houses, a breathtaking collection of outdoor murals depicting some 30 of the city's famous figures. Then, continue with a walking tour along the cobblestone streets of Vieux Lyon, where the city's famous traboules, unique hidden passageways made for busy merchants in medieval days, wend through buildings and courtyards. Later, you can shop for souvenirs, perhaps purchasing some of the fine silk for which Lyon is world famous.

### FRLIOSEO02 Timeless Town of Perouges

Duration: 4.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$69.00 USD



Date: August 06, 2018 Afternoon

**The Most Beautiful Village in France** -- Step back in time as you journey to the medieval stone village of Perouges, perched high on a hill with spectacular views of the French Alps. Rising from the Ain River plain, this simple town seems to have been carved from the earth upon a bedrock of boulders and stones. Perouges is a treasure of French heritage and culture, the setting of films such as "The Three Musketeers." You will drive with your guide to this hilltop walled town and enjoy a walking tour along its cobblestone streets. As you explore, you will learn about the farmers and linen weavers in this 13th-century communal town that never knew the sway of a lord. Stop at a small museum with glorious alpine views, the local church and the Hostellerie du Vieux Perouges, where you can sample the town's beloved Galette Perouguienne, a sweet pastry served with clotted cream.

### FRMACSEI01 Beaujolais Wine Country

Duration: 4.50 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 07, 2018 Morning

**Stunning Beauty Complemented by Light Fruity Vintages** -- Beaujolais is one of France's most beloved wine regions, and you'll discover why during this flavorful and scenic excursion. In full, it is larger than any one district of its neighbor, Burgundy. Vineyards stretch for four miles along the Saone, and the granite soils and warmer climate make it ideal for growing grapes that produce a light flavor. You will join your guide for a scenic drive through the rolling hills of Beaujolais, where viticulture tradition runs deep. See the legendary Moulin-a-Vent, the windmill that gives its name to one of the most prestigious wines of the region. Then stop at a small museum to learn about the art of winemaking, perhaps hearing about the popular Beaujolais Nouveau and the coveted crus that are produced here. You will also stop at one of Beaujolais's famous cellars to enjoy a tasting with a wine expert.

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### FRMACSEO02 Beaujolais & Truffles

Duration: 9.50 Hours

Tour Price: \$199.00 USD



Date: August 07, 2018 Morning

**Irresistible French Delicacies** -- Sample the Beaujolais's most beloved culinary treasures during visits to a wine chateau and two working farms. With your guide, drive into the scenic countryside, learning about local agriculture along the way. At the Chateau de Pierreclos, visit the medieval wine cellar for a private wine tasting. Continue to a nearby truffle farm, where you will enjoy a delicious lunch of farm-fresh organic ingredients. Later, watch as the farmer's dog hunts truffles down in the soil. This highly prized fungus has been called "the diamond of the kitchen" for its rich, earthy flavor. Next, stop at a farm renowned for its production of chevre, or goat cheese, a major export in France. Tour the farm with your host and learn how the cheese is made. Then sample both fresh and more mature cheeses, with white wine if you wish. After this full day of French gastronomy, return to your ship.

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### ❖ Dijon

#### FRDIJSEI01 Charming Dijon

Duration: 3.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 09, 2018 Morning

**A Gracious City and a Rich Art Collection Worthy of Dukes** -- Take in the splendors of Dijon, a gracious city of welcoming plazas, magnificent Gothic and Renaissance architecture topped with the city's typical multicolored polychrome roofs known as toits bourguignons, and the beautifully preserved Ducal Palace. You will join your guide and head to the classical Ducal Museum, the former royal residence of the Dukes of Burgundy, who once ruled lands stretching from the Mediterranean to The Netherlands. This vast complex was built and enhanced over a 400-year period, with its most recent additions completed in 1737. Today, it houses the city's Town Hall as well as the Musee des Beaux-Arts de Dijon, an excellent fine arts museum that, like the Louvre in Paris, was founded by demand of the people during the French Revolution. At the latter, you might view works by Claude Monet and Jan Brueghel the Elder. Enjoy time to browse before checking in to your hotel.

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## ❖ Paris

### FRPARSEI01 Panoramic Paris

Duration: 4.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 09, 2018 Morning

**A Comprehensive and Leisurely Overview** -- See the major sights of the romantic "City of Light" with a knowledgeable local guide. You will begin along the famed Champs-Elysees, viewing the Arc de Triomphe, commissioned by Napoleon in 1806 to commemorate his triumphs. Pass many of Paris's classic highlights including the Palais Garnier opera house; the celebrated Louvre museum and its I.M. Pei-designed glass pyramid entrance; and the Paris Town Hall. Stop at the magnificent Notre Dame Cathedral to admire its Gothic spires and striking facade. Continue into the Latin Quarter, then drive by St. Germain des Pres, Luxembourg Gardens, Musee d'Orsay, Place de la Concorde and the beautiful and recently restored Grand Palais and Petit Palais. See the Les Invalides complex of military buildings, which houses Napoleon's Tomb and the Ecole Militaire (Military School). You'll cap off your excursion with an iconic view of the Eiffel Tower from Champ de Mars.

### FRPARPSO02 Paris Cabaret with Dinner

Duration: 4.50 Hours

Tour Price: \$219.00 USD



Date: August 09, 2018 Evening

**A Parisian Tradition at the Paradis Latin** -- Celebrate the colorful tradition of fin de siecle Paris during an unforgettable night out. Transfer to the Paradis Latin in the Latin Quarter, where you take your reserved seats right in front of the stage. The Parisian cabaret was born in the late 19th century during a period of exuberance and progress. Though the Paradis Latin opened in 1803, it burned down and was rebuilt by Gustave Eiffel from 1887–1889, the same period in which he was building his great tower. As Paris grew more vast and impersonal, many Parisians forged a village atmosphere within their arrondissements and came to value unbridled entertainment. This spirit lives on today at Paradis Latin. After an elegant meal featuring Chateaubriand, sit back as an extravagant revue unfolds before you, complete with acrobats, masked dancers, musical comedies, modern ballets and the showstopping French cancan. It's an evening you'll never forget.

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### ❖ Dijon

#### FRDIJSEI02 Best of Burgundy

Duration: 7.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$0.00 USD



Date: August 10, 2018 Morning

**A Full Day of Burgundy's Wine and Splendor** -- Set out into the world-renowned wine country of Burgundy on today's full-day tour. Meet your guide and begin with a drive to the Cote de Nuits; admire the stunning limestone vistas with the distinct terroir that produces the region's fine pinot noir grapes. Continue to the Cote de Beaune, where lighter wines with a more flowery bouquet are made in Beaune, the wine capital of Burgundy. You will have ample opportunities to taste fine vintages when we stop at one of Beaune's famous cellars along the way. Later, you will explore one of the region's most splendid architectural treasures, the Hospices de Beaune Museum. Founded as the Hotel-Dieu to care for the poor and ill after the Hundred Years' War, it remained a hospital until as recently as the 1970s. It is one of the finest examples of French 15th-century architecture, complete with its decorative and colorful polychrome roof.

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### ❖ Paris

#### FRPARSEO04 The Palace of Versailles

Duration: 5.00 Hours

Tour Price: \$149.00 USD



Date: August 10, 2018 Afternoon

**The Extravagant Home of French Royalty** -- Enjoy a day at the former home of French kings, the awe-inspiring Chateau de Versailles. The palace and sprawling gardens, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, began as a small hunting lodge. Over the years it was enlarged by each of its three resident kings—most famously, Louis XIV, the “Sun King.” A local guide will accompany you to the chateau, where you’ll marvel at the extravagance and excess of French royalty. You will see the state apartments of the king, the Hercules Drawing Room with its magnificent painted ceiling, and the famed Hall of Mirrors, the glittering corridor of chandeliers and glass where the Treaty of Versailles was signed to end World War I. You’ll learn about the court life of the 18th century and also see the queen’s apartments and the chamber of Marie Antoinette. Later, there’ll be time to explore the vast, elaborate gardens.



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## GENERAL TERMS

### TRANSPORTATION

Licensed and insured late-model coaches, vehicles, watercraft and other modes of transportation are utilized where available .

### MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS

Included when indicated in the tour description.

### GUIDES

Licensed, English-speaking local guides accompany all tours, where available .

### ENTRANCE FEES

Tours include all required admission fees, where applicable .

### What Should I Wear?

When going on a shore excursion, comfortable walking shoes, sunglasses, a hat and sunscreen are suggested. You may consider bringing an umbrella, raincoat, sweater or jacket. And don't forget your camera .

### CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

- In order to ensure quality guides and sufficient transportation, we must provide the tour operator with passenger counts in advance of the start of the cruise.
- Online booking and cancellations will close 10 days before your cruise sets sail.
- From this 10 day pre-sail period to 3 days from sailing, you can cancel items by calling us - for a full refund.
- When you are within 3 days of cruise / cruise tour start date, there will be no refunds given.
- Items cancelled through My Viking Journey and by calling us, will be processed and refunded back to the credit card used for the purchase. Please allow 14 business days for this to be reflected on your online statement.
- Tours require minimum participation levels to operate so please sign up as early as possible.
- Tours operate rain or shine.

### PRICES, ITINERARIES AND GENERAL INFORMATION

- The information contained in this document was current at the time of printing; however changes may occur before your scheduled departure. Please consult the Explorers' Desk on board for information and current pricing.
- During local or national holidays, access to certain facilities (such as museums or archaeological sites) may be limited or denied. In such instances, adjustments will be made to minimize inconvenience to guests.
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## SHORE EXCURSION TERMS & CONDITIONS

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