

OCTOBER 2-10, 2024



Flavors of Provence

by Luxury River Ship

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MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION Traveling Bulldogs

Dear Alumni and Friends,

Enliven your senses by joining us on a cruise exploring France's storied southeastern region. Fields of seasonal sunflowers and lavender, olive trees, vineyards, medieval architecture, and French markets create inspiring settings for discovery along the celebrated Rhône and Saône Rivers.

Excite the palate with culinary delights, exceptional wine, and tapping into your inner chef learning the art of making baguettes. Beneath the azure Mediterranean sky, ignite your curiosity ambling through mysterious passageways known as traboules, and feel the historic atmosphere of Avignon, home to the World Heritage Site masterpiece, Palace of the Popes.

Cabins aboard the Amadeus Provence, our home base for seven nights, are the perfect place to unwind after immersive shore excursions. Broad windows, stylish furnishings, and attentive room service complement the vessel's five-course evening menus and spacious public areas for an enriching experience.

Space is limited. With significant savings of more than \$1,000 per couple, we anticipate this tour will fill quickly. Be certain to reserve your spot today and share this brochure with family and friends who may be interested in traveling with you.

Please reserve online at msstate.orbridge.com, by calling (866) 639-0079, or by returning the enclosed reservation form.

Sincerely,

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Jeff Davis Executive Director Mississippi State University Alumni Association

Leanna P. Smith

Leanna Smith Assistant Director of Alumni Partnerships & Business Development Mississippi State University Alumni Association

Orbridge takes seriously the responsibility to minimize our global environmental impact. Each year we plant 100,000 trees in U.S. State Forests with afforestation needs as an on-going initiative among our evolving sustainability efforts. Learn more at orbridge.com/going-green.







### Your 9-Day Itinerary

(subject to change) | (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)

- **Day 1:** En Route from U.S.
- Day 2: Arrive in Lyon, France / Embark (D) Unwind with a welcome cocktail and dinner after boarding ship Overnight: Amadeus Provence
- Day 3: Mâcon (B,L,D) Walking tour of Fleurie, wine tasting with sommelier at Château de Chasselas Overnight: Amadeus Provence
- Day 4: Chalon-sur-Saône / Tournus (B,L,D) Picturesque drive through the Burgundy Wine Route, guided tour of Hôtel Dieu, Caves Patriarche wine cellar Château de Cormatin visit, afternoon goat farm experience and cheese tasting Overnight: Amadeus Provence
- Day 5: Lyon (B,L,D) Old Lyon UNESCO World Heritage Site tour, Roman Theatre of Fourvière, Notre Dame, Les Halles de Lyon Paul Bocuse indoor market Overnight: Amadeus Provence

- Day 6: Avignon (B,L,D) Panoramic city tour, Palace of the Popes, Pont d'Avignon, hands-on boulangerie baking experience, Châteauneuf-du-Pape wine tasting Overnight: Amadeus Provence
- Day 7: Avignon / Arles (B,L,D) Touring of Alpilles and Les Baux, artisanal olive oil mill tour and tasting Overnight: Amadeus Provence
- Day 8: Châteauneuf-du-Rhône / Le Pouzin (B,L,D) Scenic drive, tours of truffle farm and village of Grignan, enjoy leisure time, Captain's Gala Dinner Overnight: Amadeus Provence
- Day 9: Lyon / Disembarkation / Depart for U.S. (B)

Activity Level: Guests should be able to enjoy two hours or more of walking, be sure-footed on cobbled surfaces, and walk up and down stairs without assistance. Historic city centers are usually more accessible by foot than vehicle, and sometimes it is not possible for your motor coach to drop you off at the entrances of hotels and sites. Due to the structure of some buildings, facilities for people with disabilities may be limited.





# **Program Highlights**

- Survey the region's history with tours of Beaune's Hôtel Dieu and Caves Patriarche, Lyon's Fourvière Hill, and more.
- Tour the Village of Fleurie with an exclusive wine experience at family-owned Château de Chasselas on 12 hectares of vines located in the Burgundy and Beaujolais wine regions.
- Visit a goat farm in the Mâconnais countryside to learn about cheese production and sustainability.
- On a walking tour of historic Lyon, navigate through traboules, or secret passageways, and gain an understanding of their purpose.
- Tour Les Halles de Lyon Paul Bocuse indoor market and taste why Lyon is said to be the "world's gastronomic capital."
- Join an intimate, hands-on cooking class with a professional French baker to produce traditional baguettes in a boulangerie.
- See the passion, technique, and respect for olive oil production at an olive oil mill in Les Baux, sampling products from this effort.
- Elevate your wine knowledge and appreciation with unique tasting experiences and education by winemakers and sommeliers.
- Watch a search and retrieval session of truffles, and relish the opportunity to try the delicacies.

## What's Included

- 7 nights aboard the stylish and modern *Amadeus Provence*
- 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, and 7 dinners served with red and white wines from the Provençal region of France
- All lessons, private tours and tastings, and special small-group excursions as noted in the 9-day itinerary
- Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides
- Private motor coach transportation
- Luggage porterage
- Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, and drivers
- Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times

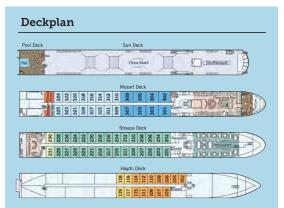






## Sail in Superior Style

Beautifully designed and stocked with stand-out amenities—*Amadeus Provence* is intimate, elegant, and a perfectly relaxing stage for exploration.



#### Stateroom Category

#### C4 C1

Individual climate control, small panoramic window (cannot be opened), choice of bed configuration (double or twin bed), spacious wardrobe, flat screen television, direct dial telephone, safe, and spacious en suite bathroom with shower and hair dryer. Staterooms with connecting doors are available on request. 172 sq. ft.

#### B4 B1 A1

Individual climate control, drop-down panoramic window, choice of bed configuration (double or twin bed), walk-in wardrobe, flat screen television, direct dial telephone, safe, and spacious en suite bathroom with shower and hair dryer. 188 sq. ft.

#### Suite

Individual climate control, walk-out exterior balcony, choice of bed configuration (double or twin bed), walk-in wardrobe, comfortable corner sofa, flat screen television, direct dial telephone, safe, and luxurious en suite bathroom with shower, bathrobes, and hair dryer. 284 sq. ft.













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Online: msstate.orbridge.com Phone: (866) 639-0079 Fax: (206) 452-5655

#### Reserve by Check:

Made payable to Orbridge, LLC Mail to: Orbridge, P.O. Box 1376 Poulsbo, WA 98370

Stateroom Category	Standard Rate	Special Rate*
C4	\$5,299	\$4,795
C1	\$5,699	\$5,195
B4	\$6,199	\$5,695
B1	\$6,499	\$5,995
A1	\$6,999	\$6,495
Suite	\$8,499	\$7,995
Single B1	\$8,499	\$7,995

<sup>®</sup>No single supplement in Stateroom Category C1. Space is limited. Call for availability.

Travel Insurance: An application for trip cancellation, baggage and medical insurance will be sent to you by the MSU Alumni Association's travel program once you are registered for the tour. Travel insurance is strongly recommended. Contact Leanna Smith at (662) 325-3360 or lsmith@alumni.msstate.edu for further information.

#### **GUEST INFORMATION:**

Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation):		
Email:	Class Year:	
Home Phone:	Alt. Pho	one:
Address:		
City:		State: Zip:
Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation):		
Email:		Class Year:
Home Phone:	Alt. Phone:	
DEPOSIT PAYMENT:		
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Special Alumni Rate: Save more than \$1,000

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per couple

FREE Wine Gift AN EXCLUSIVE EARLY RESERVATION BONUS

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February 23, 2024

to receive six bottles of wine featuring labels by vintners in the regions you will visit on this program.\*\*



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