

## SOUTHERN FRANCE & SPAIN

Day: 1

Location: NICE

Description: Arrive Nice and transfer to your hotel. Day is free at leisure. Overnight in Nice.

Day: 2

Location: NICE

Description: After breakfast, we depart for city tour of Nice. City tour of Nice includes major sights and monuments, including the old city, the flower market, Castle Hill, the port, Matisse Museum and the Promenade des Anglais. Overnight in Nice.

Day: 3

Location: NICE - MONACO - MONTE CARLO

Description: After breakfast, we depart for Monaco & Monte Carlo Casino. Visit the Old Town of Monaco, Cathedral, Cousteau Oceanographic Museum and see the changing of the Palace Guards. Continue to tour Monte-Carlo with a lap on the Formula One Grand Prix circuit. You will have free time at Casino Square to amuse yourself with luxury shopping, stunning gardens, megayachts, chic casinos or simply watching the rich and beautiful in their favorite haunt. Overnight in Nice.

Day: 4

Location: NICE - CANNES - MARSEILLE

Description: After breakfast, we visit Cannes & Marseille. We drive by the Croisette boulevard to the film festival palace and feel like a star as we walk up the world famous steps. Marseille is also a significant cultural destination with 17 museums, 42 theatres and 7000 cinema seats. A cultural melting pot now widely recognized and demonstrated by the designation of Marseille as European Capital of Culture 2013, Marseille's, 20 city-based museums cover all the historical periods, from ancient to contemporary art, from archaeology to the Fine Arts, and even uncovering earthenware and the motorbike, which rival each other in originality. Overnight in Marseille.

Day: 5

Location: MARSEILLE - AVIGNON

Description: After breakfast, head to Avignon today for an visit to the beautiful city. Guided city tour

of Avignon. Overnight in Avignon.

Day: 6

Location: AVIGNON - BORDEAUX

Description: Start the day by motoring through the Grand Champagne wine-growing area and head towards Bordeaux on the banks of the Garonne. Guided Bordeaux walking tour. Overnight in

Bordeaux.

Day: 7

Location: BORDEAUX - BIARRITZ - BILBAO

Description: Leave the Landes region. Visit Biarritz, an ancient fishing village turned trendy seaside resort, before crossing the border into Spain. Overnight in the Basque capital and port town of

Bilbao.

Day: 8

Location: BILBAO - PAMPLONA - BARCELONA

Description: Depart Bilbao this morning and stop in Pamplona, capital of the ancient Kingdom of

Navarra, before reaching Barcelona, Catalonia's lively and beautiful capital.

Day: 9

Location: BARCELONA

Description: This morning's included sightseeing with a drive around Montjuïc to see the Olympic Stadium and a great panoramic view of the port and city. You arrive at the city center's Plaza Catalunya and to Paseo de Gracia to marvel at Gaudi's architectural masterpieces in the Houses Batlló and Mila and the Sagrada Familia.

Day: 10

Location: BARCELONA - VALENCIA

Description: Pass through fragrant orange groves and charming seaside resorts past Tarragona and on to Valencia, known for having hosted the America's Cup in 2005. Enjoy excursion drive along wide avenues lined with fig and palm trees, and along the old quarter's narrow streets past fine gothic houses and typical patios.

Day: 11

Location: VALENCIA

Description: After breakfast, day is free at leisure to explore the city on your own. Overnight in

Valencia.

Day: 12

Location: VALENCIA - CUENCA - ARANJUEZ - MADRID

Description: Leave the coast and head inland, stopping in the historical towns of Cuenca and Aranjuez, situated on the Castilian Plain. Travel on to Madrid, the Spanish capital, with time to enjoy a relaxed evening.

Day: 13

Location: MADRID

Description: Situated 2,180 feet above sea level, the Spaniards say Madrid is the nearest thing to heaven. Guided sightseeing starts with a full panoramic drive by way of the Avenida Mayor, Puerta del Sol, Parliament Square, and a picture stop outside the Royal Palace. Later move to Toledo. Toledo is most rewarding, too! The splendid setting of this old walled city above the Tagus was made famous in El Greco's painting, and even now it's like a great open-air museum.

Day: 14

Location: MADRID

Description: After Breakfast, check out & depart to Madrid airport to board your flight back home.