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14 Days ♦ From Paris to Barcelona

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Spend 3 nights in Paris, travel by high-speed TGV train to Lyon, then savour an enchanting 7-night cruise through Provence, ending with a 2-night stay in Barcelona

**DAY 1 (TUE /OCT 6) DEPART TORONTO** Board your overnight flight to Paris, France. Transportation: Air Canada / Lufthansa Airlines

**DAY 2 (WED/OCT 7) ARRIVE PARIS (D)** On arrival you will transfer to your hotel. Take the balance of the day to relax or explore the "City of Lights" before meeting your fellow travelers at the cocktail reception and the welcome dinner at hotel ( 3 course menu including half a bottle of wine and half a bottle of mineral water). Accommodation: Marriott Rive Gauche Hotel or equivalent

**DAY 3 (THU/OCT 8) PARIS (B)** Enjoy Paris' famous sights during this morning's guided tour. Visit Notre Dame Cathedral, pass the Louvre Museum, the commemorative Arc de Triomphe, the Opera, Medeleine, Champs Elysees and much more. The remainder of the day is yours to explore on your own. Meet with the rest of the group in the evening for an Opera performance (date subject to change)

**DAY 4 (FRI/OCT 9) PARIS (B)** Today's tour takes us to the Palace & Gardens of Versailles. The Grand Palace of Europe, built during the reign of the Sun King Louis XIV, Versailles became the role model for all future European Palaces. Magnificent in elegance, awe inspiring in size, everything about the Palace was designed to show the power and wealth of the French royal crown. The remainder of the day is yours to explore the city.

**DAY 5 (SAT/OCT 10) PARIS-LYON (EMBARKATION) (B/D)** Savor your last morning in Paris then board the TGV train where you will be transported at top speed (up to 186 mph) in smooth, quiet comfort to Lyon where the ship awaits you. Gather this evening on board for cocktails and a Welcome Dinner. Accommodation: Aboard the MS Swiss Pearl

**DAY 6 (SUN/OCT 11) LYON-TREVOUX (B/L/D)** Lyon not only marks the meeting of the Saône and Rhône rivers, but it is also the gastronomic capital of France. Its rich ancient history includes Roman ruins and early Christian sites. This morning's tour includes a stunning panoramic view of the entire city from the Basilique Notre Dame de Fourviere. You'll also explore the Renaissance charm of Vieux Lyon (Old Lyon) with its cobbled streets. Return to the ship for lunch, and relax as we sail north along the Saône River to the small town of Trevoux. Enjoy free time this evening to explore the town on your own.

**DAY 7 (MON/OCT 12) TREVOUX-VIENNE (B/L/D)** After breakfast, your morning tour takes you behind the

village walls of Trevoux through Beaujolais, the Pay D'Or or "land of the golden stones" named for the ochre limestone of its homes and castles. Enjoy a visit with a local wine maker along la route de vin and sample the world renowned Beaujolais Nouveau. Return to the ship and continue cruising south from the Saône to the Rhône River towards Vienne. This evening stroll along the sidewalk cafes of this rural walking town.

**DAY 8 (TUE/OCT 13) VIENNE-TOURNON (B/L/D)** Situated between the wine regions of Burgundy and Beaujolais, Vienne, has a significant Roman history, which is highlighted by its marvelously preserved ruins and remains. During this morning's walking tour you will see the 1st-century Roman Temple of Augustus and the medieval churches of St. Andre-Le-Bas and Abbey St. Pierre, before we cruise on to Tournon and Tain L'Hermitage. These twin towns face each other across the Rhône River and are linked by a 19th-century suspension bridge. The fertile soil and ideal climate of

the region has made Tain L'Hermitage the premier producer of the Côte du Rhône wines. Enjoy free time this afternoon to visit the 16th-century castle which is now a town hall, or visit the chocolate shop for a taste of the confections once produced in Tournon's famous factory. After dinner enjoy wine tasting onboard.

**DAY 9 (WED/OCT 14) TOURNON-VIVIERS (B/L/D)** On this morning's adventure, you will get a personal look at a working farm located in the midst of the Ardèche Mountains and then take a scenic tour of the valley's beautiful landscape. Enjoy a visit to Boucieu-le-Roi and its local market of handmade crafts, musical entertainment and wine tasting. Lunch onboard the ship as we cruise to Viviers for an excursion to Grignan, a charming hilltop village, dominated by a majestic castle. The ship moors overnight in Viviers

**DAY 10 (THU/OCT 15) CHATEAUNEUF-DU-PAPE-AVIGNON (B/L/D)** Origin of its world famous namesake wine, Chateauf-neuf-du-Pape, or "new castle of the Pope," is also home to the remains of the fortress which gives the village its name. Your morning walking tour of the "City of Popes" will take you through the narrow streets and elegant squares to the Papal Palace, which served as a fortress, a church and a residence to the Popes that once governed the Christian world. Enjoy wine tasting before returning to the ship for some scenic cruising to Avignon during lunch. Moor overnight in Avignon.



Lavender fields



Carcassonne Castle

**DAY 11 (FRI/OCT 16) AVIGNON-ARLES (B/L/D)** Arrive this morning in Arles, a Mediterranean city situated at the mouth of the Rhône delta. Bathe in the Provencal morning light as you imagine how Vincent Van Gogh worked to capture the richness of every hue on this morning's walking tour. While Van Gogh's homes are no longer standing, you may glimpse the locales and vistas that inspired "Starry Night" or "Terrace de café le Soir" as you pass Constantine's Baths, the Romanesque cathedral and the Roman Amphitheater, which is still in use today. This afternoon take a motorcoach to the villages of St. Remy & les Baux. Enjoy the rich floral colors and amazing views from this village perched on the hill

**DAY 12 (SAT/OCT 17) ARLES-CARCASSONE-BARCELONA (B/D)** After breakfast you will disembark and transfer to Barcelona, capital of the Spanish region of Catalonia. Along the way you will pass through the Camargue on the southern coast and trace the ancient trade route linking the Atlantic and Mediterranean seas. As you approach the Pyrenees, stop in the medieval city of Carcassone which is surrounded by a double ring of walls, a UNESCO heritage site, complete with 52 towers that stretch for more than two miles around this strategic import city. Here you will have free time for lunch and some exploring on your own, enjoy dinner at your hotel including drink and coffee. Accommodation: H10 Marina Barcelona or equivalent



**DAY 13 (SUN/OCT) 18 BARCELONA (B/D)** Your full day in Barcelona begins with a driving tour to the top of Montjuic Hill where you can catch glorious views of the city below. See the National Palace, the Olympic Complex, Placa Catalonia and Las Ramblas, the promenade and center of Barcelona life. Later you will see the Temple Expiatori de la Sagrada Familia, designed by artist and architect Antonio Gaudi and still unfinished to this day. Take a walking tour of the Barrio Gotico (Gothic Quarter), King's Square and Tinell, the Royal Palace. Evening enjoy a buffet dinner at local restaurant with flamenco show.

**DAY 14 (MON/OCT 19) DEPART BARCELONA (B)** Your fascinating cruise and tour come to an end as you transfer to the airport for your flight to return home. Transportation: Lufthansa/Air Canada

B - breakfast L - lunch D - dinner

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**Package Price:** In Canadian dollars, per person.

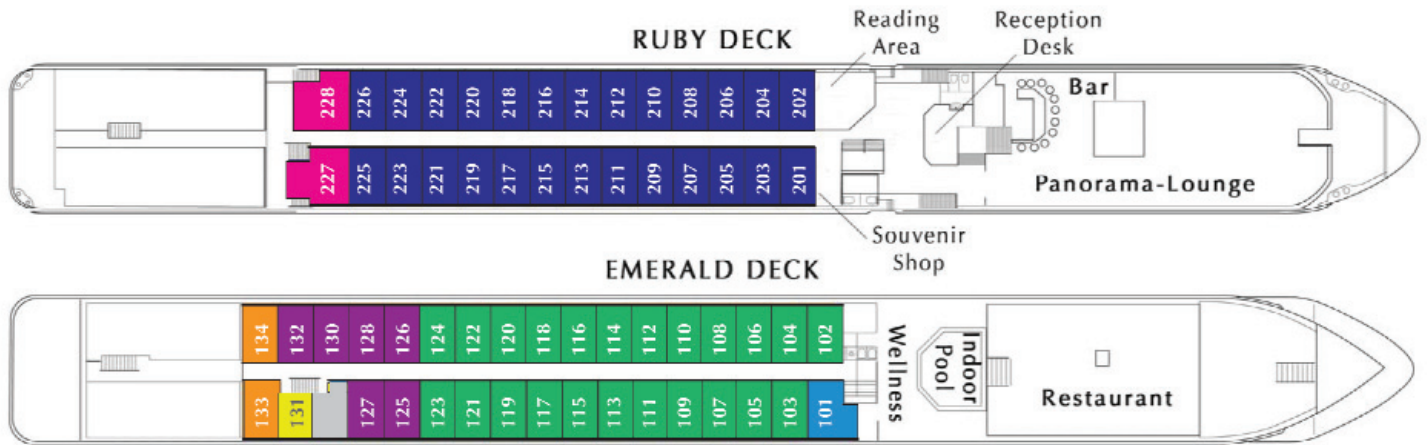
Category	Deck	Double Occupancy	Single Occupancy
C	Emerald	\$6,455	\$7,990
B	Emerald	\$6,545	\$8,140
A	Ruby	\$6,765	\$8,460
Jr. Suite	Emerald	\$7,285	\$10,510
Single Cabin	Ruby	n/a	\$7,510

Package price includes Cruise, Land & Air. Included airfare is based on a Toronto departure on Air Canada or Lufthansa.

- The air credit for trip from Toronto to Paris and return from Barcelona to Toronto will be CAD\$ 750 pp.
- The above rates INCLUDE airport departure taxes and port charges totaling of CAD\$435.
- Insurance is NOT included in the tour price.
- Guaranteed Cruise Holidays of Clarkson escort with minimum 15 passengers.
- Activity level advise: The Provence and Spain itinerary is considered at level 2 on a scale of 1 to 3.

## INCLUDED FEATURES

- 3 nights accommodation Marriott Rive Gauche Hotel in Paris including buffet breakfast.
- Cocktail Reception and Welcome Dinner.
- Dinner at hotel (3 course menu including half a bottle of wine and half a bottle of mineral water) on October 7.
- Tickets for the Opera/ Concert in Paris.
- TGV high-speed train from Paris to Lyon and we will arrange a luggage truck to pick up the luggage from our hotel in the morning and transfer it to Lyon by road.
- 7 nights deluxe cruise accommodation in an outside cabin with hotel-style beds.
- Motorcoach from the ship in Arles to Carcassonne and on to Barcelona.
- 2 nights accommodation H10 Marina Barcelona hotel in Barcelona including buffet breakfast.
- Buffet dinner at local restaurant with flamenco show on Oct 18
- QUALITY WINES FROM EUROPE'S MOST FAMOUS WINE REGIONS WITH EVERY DINNER ONBOARD.
- Captain's Gala Dinner.
- Daily sightseeing programs as detailed in the itinerary.
- Special highlights including folklore dances, lectures, theme dinners, local festivities and on board music performances.
- Service of a professional Cruise Director.
- Nightly entertainment and piano music.
- All English language on board in a non-smoking environment. Smoking only on the Sun Deck.
- All local taxes.
- Cruise director and crew prepaid tipping is included. Tipping amount for shore excursions is NOT included.



**TECHNICAL DATA:**

Built: 1993  
 Renovated: 2006  
 Length: 360 feet  
 Width: 38 feet

Crew: 30  
 Staterooms: 61  
 Jr. Suites: 2  
 Registry: Switzerland

**Jr. Suite** Ruby Deck - 205 sq.ft.  
**Cat. A** Ruby Deck - 140 sq.ft.  
**Cat. B** Emerald Deck - 140 sq.ft.  
**Cat. C** Emerald Deck - 140 sq.ft.

**Cat. D** Emerald Deck - 130 sq.ft.  
**Triple** Emerald Deck - 180 sq.ft.  
**Single** Emerald Deck - 115 sq.ft.

## Deposit & Payment terms

**DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENT:** A deposit of CAD\$650 per person is required at time of booking for cruise and land tour. Final payment is due no later than 90 days before departure. We strongly recommend the purchase of comprehensive travel insurance.

**REVISION FEES:** A handling fee of \$50 per transaction is charged for any alteration or revision made to a reservation after initial confirmation. Spelling corrections to client's names after tickets have been issued will be subject to airline revision fees. Courier delivery costs apply if any changes are made within five weeks prior to departure. A change of date or itinerary within 120 days of departure will be treated as a cancellation and new booking; in this case regular cancellation fees apply.

**CANCELLATION CHARGES:** Cancellation charges are as follows:  
 At the time of booking-91 days prior to departure: CAD\$550  
 • 90-60 days prior to departure: 50% of tour price per person  
 • 59-30 days prior to departure: 65% of tour price per person  
 • 29-0 days prior to departure: 100% of tour price per person  
 Cancellation charges listed also apply to port charges, upgrades and transfers. No refunds will be made for unused services once travel arrangements have commenced. If after returning from the cruise you wish to inquire about any cruise services provided, please ensure that all correspondence relating to those services is received by Cruise Holidays of Clarkson within 30 days after the cruise completion.

**AIR CANCELLATION PENALTIES ARE SUBJECT TO AIRLINE.**



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