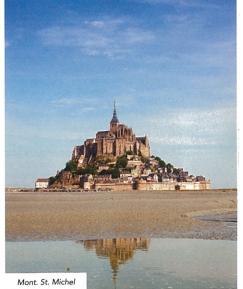
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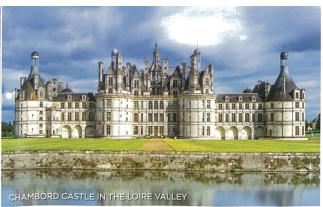


After sightseeing in Paris, "City of Lights," drive the Allied invasion began on June 6, 1944, and the American Cemetery on Omaha Beach.



Above, the 230-foot long Bayeux Tapestry. Spend a night at St. Michel, World Heritage Site (bottom left) and explore Loire Valley's famous chateaus (below) and sample wines.





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### DAILY ITINERARY

<u>March 19</u>: DEPART LOS ANGELES (LAX). Fly nonstop overnight from Los Angeles to Paris <u>March 20</u>: PARIS, FRANCE. Arrive in Paris, the "City of Lights," and transfer to your first-class hotel. The rest of the day is at leisure to rest, relax and enjoy the endless delights of Paris. Your tour begins at an orientation meeting with your Tour Manager at approximately 5 PM. HOTEL MERIDIEN ETOILE

<u>March 21:</u> PARIS CITY TOUR. Drive along the famous Champs Elysees to the Arc de Triomphe, Concorde Square, and the iconic Eiffel Tower, symbol of Paris. On to the celebrated "Rive Gauche," the vivacious Left Bank where artists, philosophers and writers in a long-gone era flourished in the artistic community at Montparnasse. View the Latin Quarter, home to many of France's higher education establishments, among them the Sorbonne. Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure or join the *optional* tour to the magnificent Palace of Versailles. Tonight, enjoy

exhilarating views from the top of the village-like art colony at Montmartre, on an *optional* tour that is highlighted by a drive around the illuminated monuments of Paris. (B)

March 22: PARIS/NORMANDY BEACHES Depart Paris this morning to Normandy in an emotional day exploring the D-Day beaches. Stop at the Ranger Memorial at Pointe du Hoc and the historic St. Mere Eglise on the Contentin Peninsula, where the Allied invasion began on June 6, 1944. Here the Airborne Museum reveals the story of 82nd and 101st airborne divisions and their heroic deeds on D-Day. MERCURE OMAHA BEACH HOTEL (B, D) March 23: BAYEUX TAPESTRY, MONT ST. MICHEL. This morning, continue on to the American Cemetery on Omaha Beach, final resting place of thousands of U.S. Troops. Offer your respects and salute their bravery. Then, in delightful Bayeux, view the 230 foot long embroidered cloth which depicts the events leading up to the Norman conquest of England in 1066. Travelling through Normandy, visit magnificent Mont St. Michel, rising from the sea on a mighty rock in the Gulf of Saint-Malo. This structure is one of France's most recognizable sights and designated by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site. Tour this amazing structure with its many levels, culminated by a walk, if you wish, to the hilltop to visit the Abbey. MERCURE ST. MALO BALMORAL (B, D)

<u>March 24:</u> LOIRE VALLEY, CHATEAU PLANTAGENETS, AND WINE TASTING. Drive south today to the lively river side city of Angers, gateway to the Loire Valley and home of the Plantagenet royalty. This medieval center is dominated by the massive 13th century open-air Chateau of the Plantagenets. The distinctive striped stonework is eye catching. This French city is also known for the production of Cointreau, the orange flavored liquor created by Édouard Cointreau, born in Angers. Continue this afternoon past historic Saumur, surrounded by gorgeous rolling hills and miles of vineyards. Stop for a wine tasting at a winery before reaching your hotel in Tours. Tonight, enjoy an evening at leisure. NOVOTEL CENTRE TOURS GARE (B)

<u>March 25:</u> LOIRE VALLEY, CHATEAUS. Spend the day in the Loire Valley exploring nearby sights. First, travel to the magnificent Chateau de Chenonceau, boasting a 197-foot gallery, built over a series of arches. Take some time to explore the extravagantly furnished rooms and formal gardens. Next stop is at the village of Amboise, crowned by the Royal Chateau d'Amboise. The castle is most closely associated with King Francois I who introduced the Renaissance to France and brought Leonardo da Vinci to his court. Take a guided tour of the castle, including the castle's chapel of Saint-Hubert, where da Vinci was laid to rest. Return to Tours for an evening at leisure. (B) <u>March 26:</u> CHARTRES TO PARIS. Drive north to Chartres, a medieval city in the center of France, home to the Cathedral of Notre-Dame de Chartres, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Originally built in 1020, the cathedral contains the sacred Veil of the Virgin relic and a world-renowned collection of stained-glass windows. Continue to view the Chateau de Chambord, a strikingly beautiful residence in the Loire Valley and then on to Paris. This evening, bid au revoir to France and to your Tour Manager, during a farewell dinner. LE MERIDIEN ETOILE (B, D) March 27: Transfer to the airport for your flight back to Los Angeles, arriving the same day.



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