

October 5 - 13, 2020



Paris to Normandy

Tour Itinerary: This fabulous river cruise combines time in France’s unparalleled capital of Paris with beautiful scenery along the Seine River and the picturesque and historical region of Normandy.

Day 1, Mon., October 5: Depart Chicago. Depart from O’Hare Airport on your overnight flight to France.

Day 2, Tue., October 6: Paris, France (Embarkation). Welcome to Paris, where romance fills the air! Your day is free to explore the world’s most romantic city before beginning your cruise on the Seine. Get acquainted with the City of Lights today with some shopping, strolling or with a croissant and café au lait to watch the world go by amid the Parisian cityscape. Board Avalon’s *Tapestry II* river cruise vessel and meet your crew at an evening welcome reception. Before dinner, your ship glides out of Paris. (D)

Day 3, Wed., October 7: Vernon. Begin the day with a morning stretch with your Avalon Adventure Host. Today choose between a guided visit of Giverny, Claude Monet lived in Giverny for almost 43 years (1883-1926) and viewed his flower and water gardens as works of art, just like his paintings. See his collection of Japanese prints, his charming house, and his biggest sources of inspiration. Or, visit Bizy Castle, built in 1740 and nicknamed “Normandy’s Versailles.” It is known for its famous stables, inspired by those at Versailles, and its magnificent courtyard and water garden. This afternoon, arrive in Les Andelys, situated on a bend of the Seine and one of the most beautiful places in France. Join a local guide for a guided walk of the town, visiting the Parish Church of Le Petit Andely. Alternatively, you may wish to join your guide on a hike up to the ruins of imposing Château Gaillard, built as a fortress by England’s King Richard the Lionheart in 1196. Constructed in only a year, it is a masterpiece of medieval military architecture. Overnight cruise to Caudebec. (B,L,D)

Day 4, Thu., October 8: Caudebec. Today, join a guided excursion along the “Normandy Abbeys Route,” a short drive from Caudebec. More than 100 medieval Benedictine and Augustine abbeys and churches were built here along the Seine. The afternoon is free to explore on your own or join an optional excursion to explore Boucles de la Seine Normande with a guided hike of Normandy’s vast regional nature park in a region rich in apple, plum, pear and cherry orchards. Enjoy live entertainment on board this evening as you overnight dock in Caudebec. (B,L,D)



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Tour Inclusions

- Round-trip estimated airfare from Chicago
- Round-trip airport-hotel transfers in Europe
- Seven nights onboard Avalon’s luxurious *Tapestry II*
- All meals while cruising including beer, wine and soft drinks from the region with all onboard lunches and dinners
- Admissions and sightseeing per itinerary (included headsets)
- Free onboard gratuities & 2 free drinks per person
- Professional Cruise Director and local expert guides at every port
- Burkhalter Tours host with 20 paid travelers

Double Price Per Person

	Full Brochure Pricing	Burkhalter Reduced Air Pricing
Category E	\$5,511	\$4,706
Category D	\$5,719	\$4,914
Category B	\$6,712	\$5,907
Category A	\$6,764	\$5,959
Category P	\$6,869	\$6,063

**Burkhalter Reduced Air Pricing
Good until 5/31/19
Ask about current booking specials
and cash discounts!**



Day 5, Fri., October 9: Caudebec. Excursion to Normandy. The choice is yours today between an included full-day excursion to the historic Normandy Landing Beaches, with poignant sites such as Omaha Beach, the Pointe du Hoc monument, and the American Cemetery. Take a full-day guided tour of the British and Canadian commemorative sites including the British cemetery, Pegasus memorial, the seaside town of Arromanches, the Juno Beach Center and the Beny-sur-Mer Canadian War cemetery. Or, enjoy a "Taste of Normandy" for an in-depth look at this picturesque, mainly agricultural region. Camembert cheese is a specialty, as is Calvados, a strong apple brandy which you'll have the chance to taste at a local distillery. And for a touch of history, visit the famous Bayeux Tapestry. Evening cruise to Rouen. (B,L,D)



Day 6, Sat., October 10: Rouen. Rouen, capital of upper Normandy, is an important commercial city perhaps best known for its connection to Joan of Arc, who lived, was imprisoned, and burned at the stake in the marketplace of this town in 1431. Enjoy the included guided walk through the medieval quarter with its half-timbered, glazed-tile houses, and take photos of the intricate Gros Horloge astronomical clock, dating back to the 16th century. Visit the gothic Cathedral, which was once the tallest building in the world and the subject of a series of paintings by Claude Monet. The afternoon is free to explore on your own. This evening enjoy onboard entertainment, dinner and an overnight sailing to Conflans. (B,L,D)



Day 7, Sun., October 11: Conflans. After breakfast, choose to go on a guided excursion to Auvers-sur-oise, the quaint little town and the home and resting place of Vincent Van Gogh. Perhaps a visit to Napoleon and Josephine's Chateau de Malmaison just outside Paris which required extensive renovations, this large country estate was purchased by Josephine Bonaparte in 1799 while Napoleon was fighting in Egypt. Lastly, what is a trip to France without an optional guided excursion to the Palace of Versailles - home to a succession of French kings. Evening cruise to Paris. (B,L,D)



Day 8, Mon., October 12: Paris. Paris delights all of the senses - join a guided walk through historic Île St. Louis with its narrow one-way streets and Île de la Cité, the center of Paris where the medieval city was founded and home to Notre Dame Cathedral. In your free time, you might visit the world-famous Louvre, stroll down the Champs-Élysées with its lavish cafés, or perhaps, wander in Montmartre with its gleaming white Sacré Coeur Basilica and bevy of artists on Place du Tertre. (B,L,D)



Day 9, Tue., October 13: Paris (Disembarkation). Your trip ends this morning after breakfast, transfer to the Pairs Airport for your return flight. (B)

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AVALON CHOICE

Avalon has designed included activities with a choice of experiences. Select the tours, activities, and events that interest you most, so you can experience your cruise your way. There are 3 types of included shore excursion on every European cruise.

Classic: Your local expert is ready to guide you through the history and heritage of local destinations.

Discovery: Find inspiring and interactive activities to speak to your interests - from cooking classes, to painting workshops.

Active: Embark on energetic excursions to keep you in motion and on the go - from a guided sunrise tour of Paris, to biking, paddling, and hiking your way through scenic locales.

Your luxurious floating hotel: Avalon Waterways Tapestry II

- Comfort Collection beds and spacious closets
- Large, private bathrooms with full showers, hairdryers, amenities
- Onboard Tour Director
- Flat screen satellite TV and individual climate control
- Complimentary Wi-Fi, direct-dial telephone, in-room safe
- Well-stocked mini-bar, complimentary bottled water
- Fitness Center, Sky Deck whirlpool
- Onboard lectures, activities and nightly entertainment



TOUR APPLICATION

TOUR NAME: Paris to Normandy

TOUR DATES: October 5 - 13, 2020

TOUR#: H3045

Note: The name on your tour documents and airline tickets must match your passport name. One form per address, please.

Please provide a copy of your current passport with the application.

Name 1 _____ Name Tag Name: _____

Birthdate _____ Gender: Female Male TSA KTN or Global # _____

Passport Number _____ Passport Expiration _____ Country of Birth _____

Name 2 _____ Name Tag Name: _____

Birthdate _____ Gender: Female Male TSA KTN or Global # _____

Passport Number _____ Passport Expiration _____ Country of Birth _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Home Phone _____ **Cell** _____

Email _____ **Roommate Name** _____

Special requests - please understand that we cannot guarantee that requests will be granted.

Accommodations: Single Double-one bed Double-two beds Cabin Category: _____ E D B A P

Room requests: _____ Dietary requests: _____

Air Request: Air with group Customized individual air _____

Airline Seat Request (Not Guaranteed): Window/next Aisle/next Other _____

Tour Extension Request: Air Extension Other arrangements _____

Any special celebration? _____

Any special assistance required: _____

Medical conditions the host should be aware of: _____

Physician name/clinic: _____ Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ **Burkhalter Agent:** _____

Relationship to you _____ Phone: _____

Travel Protection? Yes, Avalon Plan Maybe, please provide info on other plans No, thanks

I/we have read and understand the terms and conditions for this tour (see back):

Signature REQUIRED

Payment

Amount enclosed: _____ (\$300 deposit required at time of booking - final due by June 24, 2020)

Payment: Cash or check payable to Burkhalter Tours Credit card (call us with your card info if you prefer not to mail it)

CC # _____ Expiration date _____ Security Code _____

Name on card: _____

RESERVATIONS/INFORMATION

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TOUR TERMS AND CONDITIONS - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

I.D./Citizenship: Travelers must possess a passport that is valid for six months beyond the return date of the tour. Complete passport name, gender and birth date are required to confirm reservations per TSA/airline requirements. Non-U.S. passport holders are responsible for determining their own entry requirements.

Deposits and Payments: Please make checks payable to Burkhalter Tours. Most major credit cards are also accepted, although a cash discount may be offered. A deposit of **\$300 per person** (+ Avalon insurance premium if you choose to buy that) is required to secure reservations. All tour confirmations are subject to receipt of signed tour application and payment verification. **Final payment is due by June 24, 2020.**

Cancellations/Refunds: All cancellations are subject to a \$50 Burkhalter Tours service fee that may not be covered by tour operator insurance. In addition to the service fee and possible airline penalties, tour cancellation penalties are as follows: 180-90 days prior to departure: Deposit; 89-60 days prior: 35%; 59-30 days prior: 50%; 29-1 days prior: 80%; on departure day and later: 100% non-refundable. No refund will apply on unused portions of the tour. If a roommate cancels, the remaining traveler may have to pay any single room supplement that is incurred. Name changes and departure date changes are considered reservation cancellations and are subject to cancellation fees. Once issued, airline tickets are 100% non-refundable.

Travel insurance is strongly advised in order to protect your investment. Coverage for trip cancellation/interruption/delay, and medical emergency expenses is available from Avalon for \$379. Other plans may also be available. Ask your agent for information.

Tour Conditions: This tour is a regular Avalon Waterways departure and no minimum number of Burkhalter travelers is required for the tour to operate. If 20 travelers book the tour, a Burkhalter Tours host may travel with the group to provide additional assistance throughout the tour. All arrangements are based upon tariffs in effect on date of brochure production and are subject to change. Once deposit has been received, any changes to air or land arrangements may be assessed a \$50 revision fee. Revision fees may be higher once air is ticketed. Itineraries are subject to change.

Air Transportation: The airfare portion of the tour price is an estimate and is subject to change. Airline seat assignments can only be requested after final payment and may be limited in availability. If specific seat assignments are vital to your enjoyment of the tour, we recommend individual air reservations. Deviations from the group air schedule may result in a different airfare. Routing and schedules are subject to change.

Accommodations/Transportation: Ship accommodations are superior first class with private ensuite facilities, typically with two beds. Hotels are subject to change. Touring coaches are deluxe vehicles with panoramic windows and seats that partially recline. Single travelers are allocated one seat only. Avalon reserves the right cancel or to replace parts or all of the cruise itinerary with coach travel if waterways are deemed unsafe for travel.

Traveler Fitness: Travelers should be in reasonably good health, able to climb stairs and board a motorcoach in a timely manner, and walk moderate distances-keep up with their group, sometimes over uneven ground. Individuals with physical and/or cognitive limitations must be accompanied by an able individual who will assume complete responsibility for them—tour personnel will not provide such assistance.

Passenger Consent Agreement: Department of Transportation regulations require that we inform you that your purchase is subject to supplemental price increases beyond our control that may be imposed after the date of purchase. Such increases may come about due to increased fees, fuel surcharges, government tax increases, fluctuations in foreign exchange markets or any combination of these events. Post-purchase price increases may be applied to your invoice due to these unforeseen cost increases from suppliers. While a post-purchase price increase is very rare and not anticipated, Burkhalter Tours will inform you of any increases as soon as possible. By signing the tour application and making your deposit, you are acknowledging that you have been made aware and accept the fact that such increases may occur, and that you agree to pay Burkhalter Tours and our contracted suppliers accordingly.

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