PROGRAMME

The UNESCO Tour
5 Days/4 nights Tour


Arrival from Paris
Day 1 – PARIS - LYON (night in LYON)

In the morning, arrival in Lyon by TGV from Paris (only 2hrs) and check-in hotel. Lunch in a typical Bouchon Lyonnais.

Discovery of Lyon, Unesco Heritage site, (Fourvière hill, Gallo-roman sites, the landmark the Basilica Notre Dame de Fourvière, the old Lyon (Vieux Lyon), Renaissance quarter, its traboules, and the Presqu’île). Possibility to visit a silk workshop, l’Atelier de soierie, near Les Terreaux Square.

Dinner in a famous Chef’s Brasserie or gastronomic restaurant.

Overnight stay in Lyon

Day 2 – FIRMINY – SAINT ETIENNE (night in Saint Etienne)

Morning transfer to Firminy (70 km / 1h10) and visit of Le Corbusier site, classified Unesco, from the world-famous French architect.

Transfer to Saint Etienne (14 km / 20 minutes), lunch in the city center of Saint Etienne, city of Design.

Afternoon, discovery of the Art and Insdustry museum and the City of Design of Saint Etienne.

Check-in hotel in Saint Etienne and dinner in a restaurant down town

Overnight stay in Saint Etienne

Day 3 – PUY EN VELAY (night in Puy en Velay)

In the morning, departure to Le Puy en Velay (75 km / 1 hour)

Discovery of the historical centre of Puy en Velay: the Saint-Michel d’Aiguilhe chapel, perched on its volcanic cone, the statue of Our Lady of France which dominates the town, and the cathedral Notre Dame du Puy, a classified UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Lunch and dinner at Puy en Velay city center.

Afternoon, enjoy Puy en Velay, charming narrow streets and boutiques.

Check-in hotel in Puy en Velay

Overnight stay in Puy en Velay
Day 4 – ARDECHE GORGES – VALLON DU PONT D’ARC (night in Grignan)

In the morning, departure to Vallon Pont D’arc, in the Ardèche Gorges (120 km / 2h20). Exceptional natural site classified “Grand Site de France”. Visit of the Unesco prehistoric cave “Caverne du Pont d’Arc” and lunch.

Afternoon, continuation to Saint Remèze (13 km/15 minutes) and visit of the Lavender museum. Transfer to the charming village of Grignan (40 km/ 45 minutes) check-in Hôtel le Clair de la Plume or other charming hotels in Grignan area. Dinner in the gastronomic restaurant of the boutique hotel, Le Clair de la Plume

Overnight stay in the Drôme Provençale

Day 5 – GRIGNAN – PONT DU GARD - AVIGNON

In the morning, visit the charming village of Grignan and the castle, Château de Grignan, one of the most important Renaissance castle of South France, famous thanks to Madame de Sévigné.

Lunch in a bistro or in a restaurant in the village.
In the afternoon, transfer to Pont du Gard (80 km / 1h15) Discovery of Pont du Gard and then continuation to Avignon (25 km / 35 minutes) Check-in hotel, dinner and overnight stay in Avignon

Overnight stay in the Avignon - End of the tour.