



Cruise Details

Name:	Sensations of Lyon and Provence & Paris
Reference:	EMERALDEFRP051024-2
Operator:	Emerald Cruises
Cruise Type:	River
Cruise Rating:	Luxury
Ship:	Emerald Liberte
Regions:	Rhone and Saone
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Departs On:	05 Oct 24
Departs From:	Arles
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Arrives On:	14 Oct 24
Arrives At:	Paris
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Cruise Nights:	9
Total Vacation Days:	10

Itinerary

Day 1: Arles (France)

Fly from the UK to Nice. Welcome to France and the beginning of your cruise. You'll be met by a member of our team at the airport and transferred to Arles, where your friendly captain and crew will be waiting to welcome you on board your contemporary Emerald Cruises Star-Ship. This evening, enjoy a welcome reception and dine with your fellow guests.

Flight to arrive into Nice prior to 12:00 PM.

Arrives On: 05 Oct 24

Day 2: Arles (France)

Revel in the glory of the Roman Empire today during an insightful visit to Arles, including its UNESCO World Heritage-listed Roman and Romanesque monuments. Visit Arles Amphitheatre, a 2,000-year-old structure where thousands of spectators once gathered to watch heart-pounding chariot races.

Enjoy learning about the time spent by Vincent van Gogh in the city, taking

inspiration from his surroundings and using them to create many of his most iconic pieces of art, including 'Starry Night Over the Rhone'. Then, enjoy some time to explore the beauty of Arles at your leisure.

EmeraldPLUS
A Provencal dinner hosted by chef Fabien Morreale

Included Excursion
Guided tour of Arles with arena visit

DiscoverMORE
Excursion to Les Baux de Provence (extra expense)

Arrives On: 06 Oct 24

Day 3: Avignon (France)

Avignon has a long and storied history. This fortified town is the former residence of seven consecutive Popes in the 1300s who fled Rome to escape from the political pressures of the Roman Empire. The city went on to become an important location during the French Revolution.

Embark on a guided walking tour to witness its illustrious past, including the ornate Gothic exterior of the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Palais des Papes, built by the Popes over two decades. This afternoon is yours to leisurely explore, perhaps crossing the 12th-century Stone Bridge.

EmeraldACTIVE
Canoeing excursion in Avignon

Included Excursion
Guided tour of Avignon

DiscoverMORE
Guided tour of the Pont du Gard (extra expense)

DiscoverMORE
Classical concert in Avignon (extra expense)

Arrives On: 07 Oct 24

Day 4: Viviers (France)

A snapshot of quintessential France awaits your arrival in Viviers, a town that perfectly encapsulates the medieval days of the region. Pastel coloured buildings gently faded by the sun line narrow cobblestone streets, and the heart of the Old Town is yours to explore today during a guided walking tour.

Included Excursion
Guided tour of Viviers

Arrives On: 08 Oct 24

Day 5: Tournon-sur-Rhône (France)

As we sail down the gently twisting Rhone River into Tournon, you'll be treated to an extraordinary view of a 16th-century castle overlooking the village and a pair of ancient watchtowers adorning the surrounding rural landscape.

Today, embark on a guided tour of Tournon and learn about its illustrious history and the culture of the people who call it home. If you would like to explore more of the region's natural beauty, then you may instead choose to embark on an EmeraldACTIVE hike through some of the local vineyards.

Later, a guided bike tour to

Glun will introduce you to the French countryside and provide priceless insight into the lives of the people who live there.

EmeraldPLUS
Regional wine tasting on board

EmeraldACTIVE
Guided bike tour to Glun

EmeraldACTIVE
Guided hike through the vineyards

Included Excursion
Guided tour of Tournon

Arrives On: 09 Oct 24

Day 6: Lyon (France)

As one of the largest cities in France and a former Roman capital, many of the most important moments in French history have taken place in Lyon. But it's Lyonnaise cuisine that has really put this city on the map, delighting gastronomists from around the world.

Join your local guide for a walking tour of the city, including the UNESCO World Heritage-listed Basilica Notre-Dame de Fourviere. If you're feeling more active, then you may instead choose to embark on a guided bike tour, touching on its most prominent architectural wonders and moments from history.

EmeraldACTIVE
Guided bike tour of Lyon

Included Excursion
Guided tour of Lyon

DiscoverMORE
Excursion to Perouges (extra expense)

Arrives On: 10 Oct 24

Day 7: Chalon-sur-Saône (France)

The birthplace of photography and the centre of Burgundy's wine region is yours to discover today as you travel by road to the quaint village of Beaune. Stop to visit the Hospices de Beaune, one of the best-preserved examples of 15th-century French architecture and home to one of the most popular wine auctions in the country.

EmeraldPLUS
Cheese and olive tasting on board

Included Excursion
Visit to the Hospices de Beaune

Arrives On: 11 Oct 24

Day 7: Beaune (France)

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Day 8: Lyon (France)

After breakfast, bid farewell to your contemporary Star-Ship in Lyon and relax as you transfer to Paris by train, where a distinctive Parisian atmosphere will be waiting to welcome you.

Your itinerary includes a two-night stay in a well-appointed hotel.</p></p>

Arrives On: 12 Oct 24

Day 8: Paris (France)

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Day 9: Paris (France)

<p><p>Today, the wide and opulently adorned Parisian streets will be yours to stroll down with your local guide, as you visit highlights that include the Notre Dame Cathedral and the Arc de Triomphe. Continue on to explore the Seine River during a charming cruise, before finishing at the Eiffel Tower. </p></p><p>Included Excursion
A guided tour of Paris and a Seine river cruise. (Please Note: For any tours between 4 July and 7 September the included excursion - A guided tour of Paris and a Seine River Cruise will be replaced with the Secrets of the Montmartre Area tour due to the Paris Olympics)</p>

Arrives On: 13 Oct 24

Day 10: Paris (France)

<p><p>After breakfast, it is time to bid farewell to your fellow guests as you are transferred to the airport for your flight to the UK, taking memories of gastronomic delights and the iconic Eiffel Tower with you.</p></p>

Arrives On: 14 Oct 24

For more information on this cruise, please call +44 (0)1202 767926.

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