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# PARIS on a PURSE STRING!

Thursday October 07- Sunday October 17, 2021

Autumn in Paris...an eleven-day leisurely acquaintance with the wonderful French capital by foot, coach and Metro. Delve into its history and architecture; revel in its art and cuisine. Discover its markets, hidden by-ways and back streets, quaint galleries and boutiques all with ample opportunity to pursue one's own interests. The tour includes a seven-day subway pass, a four-day "front of the line" museum pass, five dinners or lunches in traditional restaurants, a Seine cruise and a classical music concert! Tour escorted by Michael Quinn.

Tour cost land only \$2,885.00 per person based on two people sharing a double room. (The first ten persons who sign up will receive a \$150.00 discount)

Single supplement: \$595.00

# **Proposed Itinerary**

<u>Day 1 - Thursday, October 07:</u> Evening departure from Toronto to Paris.

## Day 2 - Friday, October 08: (D)

Morning arrival at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport. City transfer and introductory panoramic coach tour including the Eiffel Tower, Champs Elysées, the Arc de Triomphe, Place De La Concorde etc. Early afternoon registration in the 9<sup>th</sup> Arrondissement <u>Grand Hotel du Havre</u>, centrally located on the Right Bank close to Place de la Madeleine. Opportunity to refresh after the overnight flight before a leisurely late afternoon orientation tour of this St.-Lazare district. Evening group dinner in one of the many quaint local restaurants.

# Day 3 - Saturday, October 9: (L)

Themes of today's sightseeing: Origins Past and Present

The past begins with a morning walking tour of the city's Roman roots, highlighted by the Arènes de Lutèce, the Baths, Île St.-Louis, Montagne St-Geneviève and Île de la Cité. A transition through the Middle Ages by way of Cluny and St-Chapelle will lead us to the modern Deportation Martyrs Memorial set in the shadows of a re-emerging Notre Dame. Lunch in a cozy Latin Quarter restaurant before an afternoon snapshot of world events and personages set in historic Père La Chaise cemetery ...Chopin, Oscar Wilde, Edith Piaf, Simone Signore, Abélard and Héloïse and the evocative monuments to the brutalities of WW II. Hotel return and evening at leisure.

# Day 4 - Sunday October 10: (L)

Theme of today's morning sightseeing: Daily Life

The day may begin - perhaps in the Marais, perhaps Montmartre or even St-Germain des Prés...a surprise that will allow us to experience the sights, smells and tastes of the city, from croissant to cheese, wine to fruit...a movable feast to make a memorable lunch! In the afternoon we climb the staircase or if lunch has had its desired effect, by funicular, to the bohemian Butte of Montmartre, with its artist-dominated Place du Tertre. Here too, a magnificent view of Paris rooftops and skyline from the steps of the Basilica of Sacré-Coeur. Evening to independently discover one of the many local "bistros"!

Today you will also receive your NAVIGO DÉCOVERTE Metro Pass. It provides convenient and efficient travel on the city's excellent public transportation system until our departure. Please be sure to bring a passport-size picture to be attached to this pass! If you already have a Navigo, please bring it with you.

# Day 5 - Monday, October 11: (L)

Theme of today's sightseeing: Avant-Garde.

A full-day tour of the most important monuments of contemporary Paris. The morning takes us to the monumental "Grande Arche" in the Défense suburb; the National Library, the Omnisports Stadium and Ministry of Finance in the trendy Bercy District. Lunch then on to the "Cité Scientifique" of La Vilette, with the unusual "deconstructivist" of Bernard Tschumi's architectural creations on the site of the old Parisian slaughter houses! In the late afternoon, a brief metro ride to Pont d'Alma where we end our day with a relaxed cruise and sight-seeing on the Seine River. Evening at leisure.

### Day 6 - Tuesday, October 12:

*Theme of today's sightseeing: Revolution.* 

Today, we explore selected sites and monuments associated with the French Revolution; Place de la Bastille (where it all started on July 14, 1789), the Carnavale Museum with its excellent memorabilia and the Place des Vosges.

Following lunch, we metro to Place de la Concorde (site of the guillotine), the Tuileries Gardens, and the little-known Mausoleum of Louis XVI and Marie-Antoinette. An early dinner before enjoying an evening classic music concert in 13thC. church of Saint-Julien-le-Pauvre.

# Day 7 – Wednesday, October 13:

Theme of today's sightseeing: Monarchy.

This morning we leave the city by rapid transit to the little town of Versailles. A short walk through this former village will begin our self-guided visit to the monumental Palace of Louis XIV: the Royal Chapel, the Hall of Mirrors, the magnificent gardens of Le Nôtre. Time for lunch in the market of Versailles before returning to Paris, where a visit to Les Invalides, the Musée Rodin or perhaps the Champs Élysées from the Arc de Triomphe may cap the day.

Today you will receive a four-day museum pass valid for admission not only to the Palace of Versailles, the Louvre, and the Orsay Museum, but also to a host of other Parisian museums, art galleries, and monuments including the following: Cluny Museum (highly recommended!) - Notre Dame Towers and Crypt - Orangerie (with Monet's Water Lilies) - Sainte Chapelle - Arc de Triomphe - Pantheon - Invalides (with Napoleon's tomb) - Pompidou Centre - Museum of Modern Art - Picasso Museum - Rodin Museum....three of the major sites over the next four days have been chosen for group visits. The Pass begins to-day and is valid for Thursday, Friday and Saturday when there will be a considerable amount of free time. Michael will be available to assist with planning personal visits to museums and galleries over the next four days.

# Day 8 – Thursday, October 14:

The D'Orsey:

Morning set aside for the D'Orsay Museum, the great Parisian showcase of 19<sup>th</sup>-century art, with works by masters such as Monet, Manet, Renoir, Van Gogh, etc. The remainder of the day for personal choices - an open invitation to visit any other museum or monument: ...the Cluny/Musée du Moyen Age, Picasso or Pompidou Centre. Evening at leisure.

# Day 9 – Friday, October 15:

*The Louvre:* 

We travel this morning by metro to the Louvre Museum, featuring countless superb art treasures including Leonardo's Mona Lisa, the Venus de Milo, the Winged Victory of Samothrace. The afternoon again allows for personal choices to take full advantage of the Museum Pass...the Conciergerie, the Pantheon, or Sainte-Chapelle. And this evening, consider a dinner on the roof of Printemps or at one of its gourmet counters!

### Day 10 – Saturday, October 16: (D)

Casual:

A day to relax and savour the city. Will it be the counters and tables of Les **Puces de Saint-Ouen** (better known as the flea market!) or just a morning stroll in the Luxembourg Gardens with its pigeons, manicured trees, groomed pathways, serene atmosphere and Médici Fountain... or one more museum? A late lunch in chic Les Halles before a last view of Paris from the heights of the Eiffel Tower with a little retail therapy in the marvelous Grands Magasins of Printemps, Galeries Lafayette or Bon Marché before our *Au Revoir* dinner in a classical setting!

## Day 11- Sunday, October 17:

After breakfast, coach transfer to Charles de Gaulle Airport for you return flight to Toronto.

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Single supplement: \$595.00

Individual air arrangements can be booked by Pauwels Travel once tour is a guaranteed departure.

# **Included in the land-only tour price:**

- Airport transfers in Paris;
- Accommodation with breakfast based on double occupancy; single room supplement \$595.00
- Meals: daily buffet breakfast & five full-course dinners/lunches;
- Sightseeing and visits as per itinerary;
- Classical music concert;
- Seine River cruise:
- Metro Pass valid for 7 days: city travel is mostly by subway, but...be advised that our Parisian exploration necessarily involves some walking!
- Museum Pass valid for 4 days.

(Please note that the order of visits may require adjustment to accommodate possible future rescheduling of museum/ shop opening hours; the time and venue of the classical music concert is TBA.)

# **Not Included:**

- Airfare, flights can be booked if requested once tour is guaranteed;
- Beverages (wine, beer, mineral water, tea, etc.) with dinners;
- All items of a personal nature;
- Travel insurance please contact office for rates.



#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS**

#### RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS:

Reservations should be made as early as possible to ensure the departure of your choice. A deposit of \$750.00 required at the time of registration. Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of your deposit and registration form. No reservations will be accepted without a signed registration form. Your deposit will not be processed until the departure is guaranteed.

### **REFUND OF UNUSED ARRANGEMENTS:**

Because the rates of Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. are based on group participation, no refund can be made for any tour accommodation or tour service or tour feature not taken. If cancellation occurs while the tour is in progress, no refund can be made for the tour portion not taken. We strongly suggest that to allow for any unexpected contingencies, you purchase the all-inclusive insurance.

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY:**

Refund of deposit is made if cancellation is received in writing by Pauwels Travel Bureau Ltd. more than 90 days prior of the departure date of the tour less a \$500.00 non-refundable administrative fee per person. For cancellation received in writing 90 days prior or less the following cancellation charges apply:

90 days to 61 days before departure: 25% of tour cost 60 to 31 days before departure: 50% of tour cost Within 30 days prior to departure: 100% of tour cost

#### **RESPONSIBILITY:**

The acceptance of the initial service to be provided under the tour shall be considered an acceptance by the tour member of those conditions. We also reserve the right to decline, to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour. We reserve the right without notice, to withdraw any part or all of the tour. Factors such as airline schedule changes, hotel overbookings, inclement weather, travel warnings by the Canadian Government etc. may necessitate changes in the itinerary. There may also be other circumstances in which changes become necessary or advisable. By commencing the tour, I agree to the release and agreement as included below.

#### **RELEASE & AGREEMENT:**

By placing my deposit and commencing the tour I understand and agree to the following:

- 1. That all tours are delivered in conjunction with other service providers, including but not limited to travel agent and booking services, airlines, hotel and accommodation providers, transportation providers including but not limited to coach, train and ferry services, restaurant providers, and local guides. We shall not be held responsible for the failure by any person or company to render any transportation, lodging or other travel service to be provided on the tour. All hotels, transportation and other travel services are provided subject to all the terms and conditions under which they are offered to the public generally.
- 2. I know that tour programs include walking, and may including hiking and fitness programs that have potential hazardous activities associated with them. I should not participate prior to approval by my physician. I assume any and all other risks associated with these events included but not limited to falls, contact with other participants, the effects of the weather including high heat and/or humidity.
- 3. To release, indemnify and hold harmless Pauwels Travel Bureau and their affiliates (which term shall include parents, subsidiaries, officers, directors, shareholders, agents and employees of Pauwels Travel Bureau as well as Pauwels Travel themselves) (the

"Released Parties") from, and agree not to sue the Released Parties for, any claims that I may have arising from, or in connection with, any personal injury, bodily injury, mental anguish, emotional distress, physical, property or other damage that I may suffer from any cause whatsoever related in any way to my participation in this tour. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, I release, indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from, and agree not to sue them for any personal injury, bodily injury, mental anguish, emotional distress, physical, property or other damage that I may suffer from the Released Parties' negligence other than from intentional or reckless acts by such parties. I further agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from any and all acts of God, war (whether declared or undeclared), terrorist activities, incidents of politically motivated violence, illness or quarantine, strikes or government restrictions or the acts or omissions of any other agents over which the Released Parties have no direct or indirect control, including, without limitation, airlines, railways, bus companies, hotels, shipping companies, guides and sub-contracted agents or tour operators. This release also includes activities not offered that may be considered risky. I further release any Tour Directors, bus drivers or other individuals involved in my tour.

- 4. That the air carrier's liability for loss of or damage to baggage or property, or for death or injury to person, is limited by their tariffs, or the Warsaw Convention, or both.
- 5. That Pauwels Travel Bureau shall have no liability or responsibility for me when I am absent from activities, such as visits to friends or relatives or during stay-ahead/stay-behind option periods if the stay-ahead/stay-behind period does not include the services of a Tour Director.
- 6. To abide by directions of my Tour Director or other leadership personnel during my tour. Failure to do so may result in my termination from tour immediately. I understand that to disobey such rules or directions are to waive the right to any refund, and that I may be sent home at my own expense. The participant and family undertake full financial responsibility for any damage caused by the participant and agree to pay his/her return home on the first available flight, should his/her behavior be deemed detrimental to the welfare of the group.
- 7. To abide by all local laws when in Canada and abroad, including those concerning drugs and alcohol. (Minors must have parents' permission to use alcohol even if the local law would otherwise permit them to.) I understand that if I abuse or disobey such laws, even unintentionally, I waive my right to a refund, and Pauwels Travel may send me home at my own expense. I also understand that should local authorities be involved, I will be subject to the laws of the country I am visiting.
- 8. That if I become ill or incapacitated, Pauwels Travel and its employees, or a designated chaperone may take any action they deem necessary for my safety and well-being, including securing medical treatment (at my own expense) and transporting me home. Pauwels Travel retains the right, in its sole discretion, to contact the traveller's parent(s) and/or guardian or emergency contact with regard to health issues or any matters whatsoever that relates to the traveller's tour. These rights transcend any and all privacy regulations that may apply. In the event of a medical emergency, Pauwels Travel will attempt to cause appropriate treatment to be administered, and the traveller authorizes Pauwels Travel to do so. Pauwels Travel, however, makes no warranty that it will be able to cause effective (or any) emergency treatment to be administered.
- 9. That Pauwels Travel may use any film likenesses taken of me and any of my comments while on a tour for future publication and also use my contact information for future Pauwels Travel communications.

# **REGISTRATION FORM**

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