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## PARIS IN DEPTH

LAND ONLY

Friday, February 18 to Saturday, February 26, 2022



*Meet the wonderful French capital by foot, coach and metro. Become more acquainted with its history, architecture, art and food. Leisurely wander its major monuments, museums, churches and squares. Discover its hidden by-ways, galleries and restaurants but with ample opportunity to pursue one's own interests. The tour includes a one-week subway pass, a four day "front of the line" museum pass, four dinners or lunches in typical restaurants, a Seine cruise and a classical music concert! Tour escorted by Michael Quinn.*

### PROPOSED ITINERARY

#### Day 1 - Friday, Feb.18: (D)

Tour members meet this morning at Paris Charles de Gaulle Airport - time and location to be determined - to begin our introductory coach tour of the city's principal sites including the Eiffel Tower, Champs Elysées, Notre Dame Cathedral, the Arc de Triomphe, etc. Early afternoon hotel registration with time to settle in before a leisurely late afternoon familiarization stroll in our 9<sup>th</sup> arrondissement, including the Les Grands Magasins, L'Opera Garnier and the nearby Madeleine. This evening, group dinner in a typical local restaurant.

### Day 2 - Saturday, Feb. 19: (L)

*Theme of today's sightseeing: Traditions Old and New.*

Following breakfast, a walking tour of the ancient monuments of Roman Paris, such as the Arènes de Lutèce and the Baths, as well as the Ile de la Cité and the under-construction Notre Dame. A cozy lunch together in the Latin Quarter before crossing the city to Les Puces de Saint-Ouen...the city's traditional flea market. Late afternoon hotel return and evening at leisure.

*This evening you will receive a NAVIGO DÉCOVERTE Metro Pass, permitting 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 Découverte, please bring it with you.*

### Day 3 - Sunday, Feb.20: (D)

*Theme of today's sightseeing: Modernity.*

Our morning begins viewing important monuments of contemporary Mitterand Paris: the monumental "Grande Arche" in the suburb of La Défense, the National Library, the Omnisports Stadium and the unique Ministry of Finance. Later, after lunch in trendy Bercy, we metro to famous Père La Chaise cemetery with the tombs of such notables as Chopin, Oscar Wilde, Edith Piaf, Simone Signore and the evocative monuments of WW II. Weather permitting, our day concludes with a stroll in the "Cité Scientifique" of La Villette, with the unusual but significant "deconstructivist" architectural creations of Bernard Tschumi on the site of the old Parisian slaughter houses! This evening, dinner in a local bistro.

### Day 4 - Monday, Feb.21:

*Theme of today's morning sightseeing: Daily Life*

We begin our day - perhaps in the Marais, perhaps Montmartre or 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 of the Butte of Montmartre or, if lunch has had its desired effect, then by funicular to the famous district of artists and *Bohémiens*, featured in Puccini's opera *La Bohème*. Here too, the site of the great Basilica of Sacré-Coeur. A magnificent view of Paris rooftops and skyline before strolling home and an evening to relax.

### Day 5 - Tuesday, Feb.22:

*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: 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 - newly renovated Picasso Museum - Rodin Museum.*

*The Pass begins today plus Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Michael will be available to assist with planning personal visits/choices to museums, galleries, shops and restaurants.*

*Over the next four days, three of the major sites have been chosen for group visits: the Palace of Versailles, the Orsay and the Louvre.*

*Theme of today's sightseeing: Absolute Monarchy.*

This morning we travel out of the city by rapid transit to the once-country village of Versailles. A short walk before our self-guided visit to the monumental Palace of Louis XIV - the Royal Chapel, the Hall of Mirrors, the magnificent formal gardens of Le Nôtre. Time for lunch in the village market before returning to Paris, where an individual visit to Les Invalides, the Musée Rodin or perhaps the Arc de Triomphe can end the day. Evening at leisure.



Day 6 - Wednesday, Feb. 23:

*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 Place des Vosges and the Carnavale Museum with its excellent memorabilia. Later, by metro we travel to Place de la Concorde (site of the guillotine), the Tuileries Gardens, and the little-known Mausoleum of Louis XIV and Marie-Antoinette. Remainder of the afternoon and evening at leisure...a stroll on the Champs-Élysées, tea at La Dureé or an opportune time to enjoy an early evening sightseeing cruise on the River Seine.

Day 7 - Thursday, Feb.24:

A full morning at 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. Remainder of the afternoon to take full advantage of the Museum Pass. Or a touch of retail therapy in the marvelous Grands Magasins of Printemps, Galeries Lafayette and Bon Marché with an early dinner at any one of their gourmet counters...a pleasure!

Day 8 - Friday, Feb. 26: (D)

Off to the Louvre Museum after breakfast to meet the countless superb art treasures including Leonardo's Mona Lisa, the Venus de Milo, the Winged Victory of Samothrace. The afternoon allows for personal choices, an open invitation to visit any other museum or monument: e.g., the Musée du Moyen Age; Picasso; Pompidou Centre. But this evening, our *Au Revoir* dinner in a typical elegant "bistro"!

Day 9- Saturday, Feb. 26:

After breakfast, coach transfer to Charles de Gaulle Airport.

**Tour Cost - Land Only**

**Double Occupancy: CDN. \$2,595.00.**  
**Single Room Supplement: CDN. \$595.00**

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

- Airport transfers in Paris;
- Accommodation in a typical 3-star hotel, based on double occupancy; the single room supplement is \$595.00;
- Meals: daily full buffet breakfast plus *four* full-course dinners/lunches;
- Sightseeing and visits as indicated in the itinerary;
- Classical music concert;
- Seine River cruise;
- Week Metro Pass: city travel is mostly by metro, but...be aware 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. Once the tour departure is guaranteed (determined by the number of registered participants), the Agency will be pleased to

- assist in offering personal flight choices as well as a group flight rate based on a minimum of 10;
- Beverages (wine, beer, mineral water, tea, etc.) with dinners;
  - All items of a personal nature;
  - Travel insurance...available upon request.



## **PARIS READINGS**

### Travel Guides:

- Top Ten Paris: DK Eyewitness
- Paris: DK Eyewitness
- Paris In Your Pocket: Michelin
- Paris Day By Day: Frommer

Should you really wish a "big guide book" for France, I suggest Frommer or Fodor. Both include Paris and offer some comfort for travellers to the city. The more historical guide is the excellent Green Michelin series which, for the serious tourist, offers the most comprehensive coverage. One can purchase the "France" or "Paris" edition separately.

Readings:

- Parisians: Robb, Graham
- Seven Ages of Paris: Horne, Alistair
- Paris Revealed: Clarke, Stephen (a fun view)
- Memorable Walks in Paris: Frommer

A touch more serious:

- A Traveller's History of France 6<sup>th</sup> Edition: Cole, Robert
- On The Brink: Fenby, Jonathan
- Paris-Biography of a City: Jones, Colin
- The Insider's Guide to Paris: Muir, Kate

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

### RESERVATIONS AND DEPOSITS:

Reservations should be made as early as possible. We request you send your registration together with a refundable e-transfer of \$250.00 per person. The feasibility of operating the tour will be reviewed 90 days prior to departure and if deemed operational, registered participants will be offered the opportunity to reconfirm their place by paying an additional interim payment of \$1,500.00 per person **or** withdraw their registration and receive a full refund of their deposit. No reservations will be accepted without a signed registration form and refundable deposit.

### 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 85 days prior of the departure date. For cancellation received in writing 84 days prior or less the following cancellation charges apply:

84 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 potentially 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.

#### A WORD ABOUT GROUP AIRFARES:

Please note that when booking one of our air inclusive tours, Pauwels Travel has negotiated reduced rates with the airline that we are able to confirm and lock in up to 359 days before travel. While it is wonderful to share the savings and flexibility this provides with you, our valued guests, the privilege does come with some restrictions. In some cases it may not be possible to collect frequent flyer miles, you may not be able to check in online 24 hours before travel, or you may need to try checking in with your ticket number rather than your booking reference and, in almost ALL cases we are not able to offer advanced seat selection.

It is the airline that makes the reservation and has control over the booking so it is their policy, not ours, that prevents us from assigning specific seats. If a request is made, it is passed on to the airline by our staff when they submit the names to the airline, i.e., 30-60 days prior to departure. Calling us several days before you leave will not change this fact nor will getting upset with our staff.

If a certain type of seat is indispensable to you, we suggest that you book our tour on a "land only" basis and make individual flight arrangements, in which case you may be able to get the seat of your choice; Pauwels Travel would be happy to assist you with that reservation at absolutely no additional charge. We will offer you the best fare available, but please note that this can only be done once a tour is a guaranteed departure because your individual airfare's conditions are likely to involve cancellation penalties. We thank you in advance for your kind understanding of the above!

## REGISTRATION FORM

Please book \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s) on the "Paris in Depth" tour February 18 - 26, 2022.

Enclosed is my/our deposit of \_\_\_\_\_ (\$250.00 per person) and insurance premium if taken.

I wish to book on group flights where available \_\_\_\_\_ **OR** land only \_\_\_\_\_.

Insurance premium, will not be required until the trip is guaranteed to go. You will be invoiced for the balance prior to departure.

**WE REQUIRE A COPY OF YOUR PASSPORT (INFORMATION PAGES ONLY) VALID 3 MONTHS AFTER TOUR END DATE TO BE SENT WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM.**

PASSPORT NAME(S): Please indicate the appropriate title (Mr., Mrs., Miss, Dr., Ms.)

Surname \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Surname \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle(s) \_\_\_\_\_

If applicable, give your commonly used first name as you would like it to appear on your name tag: (e.g., "Liz" for "Mary Elizabeth")

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If traveling alone, is a single room required?  YES  NO

If sharing, what is your bed preference:  twin (2 beds)  double (1 bed)

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: We find the earlier a request is made, the more success we have in filling it, so please list any dietary requests, allergies, any special physical needs or frequent flyer numbers, etc., here. We cannot ensure requests made 30 days or less prior to departure will be possible. \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance: Please call the office for premiums then record it on application and add premium to deposit.

I /we would like to purchase (please check and record your rate):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

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All-inclusive Package  Non-medical Package  Other **OR**  Decline Insurance

PAYMENT:  Cheque payable to Pauwels Travel **OR**  E-transfer to [tours@pauwelstravel.com](mailto:tours@pauwelstravel.com).

Unfortunately we are unable to accept credit card payments at this time. The credit card companies are demanding large security deposits or insisting on holding back sales which would leave us in violation of the Travel Industry Act of Ontario. We hope the situation will be resolved in the New Year when travel begins to pick up even more.

"I/we agree to the terms and conditions attached to the program, have indicated our insurance choice, indicated any special requests and included payment".

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Please forward this completed and signed form, copy of passport and payment to:

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