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Paris & Normandy on the Seine

MAY 26-JUNE 8, 2026

Commemorate D-Day in Normandy
and Grand Castles of the Loire Valley

NEW
TOUR

Set sail on a 7-night privately chartered cruise aboard the *Amadeus Diamond* through France's enchanting landscapes, where history, art, and beauty await. From the lights of Paris to the shores of Normandy, participate in a special D-Day commemoration and explore charming towns, coastal cliffs, and castles. Savor fine wines, stroll through Monet's inspiration, visit historic Saint-Malo, and marvel at Mont Saint-Michel, a perfect blend of culture, history, and discovery.

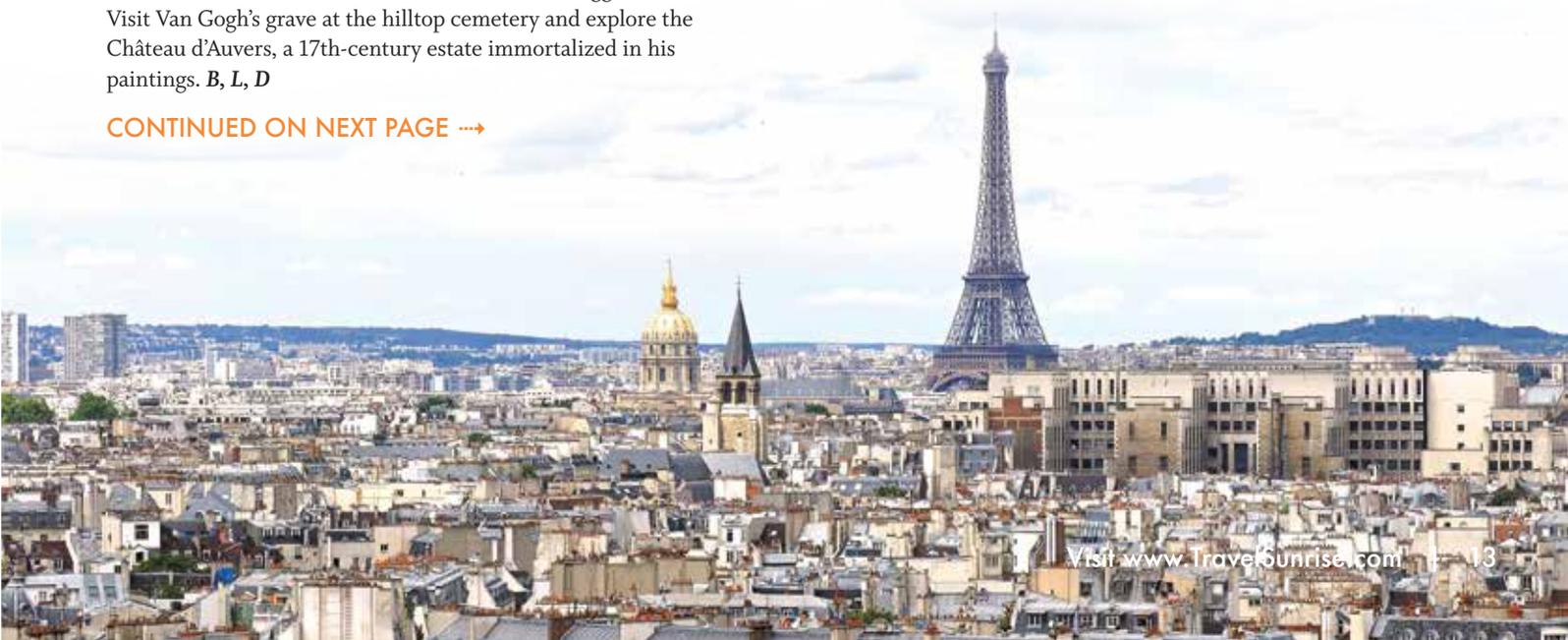
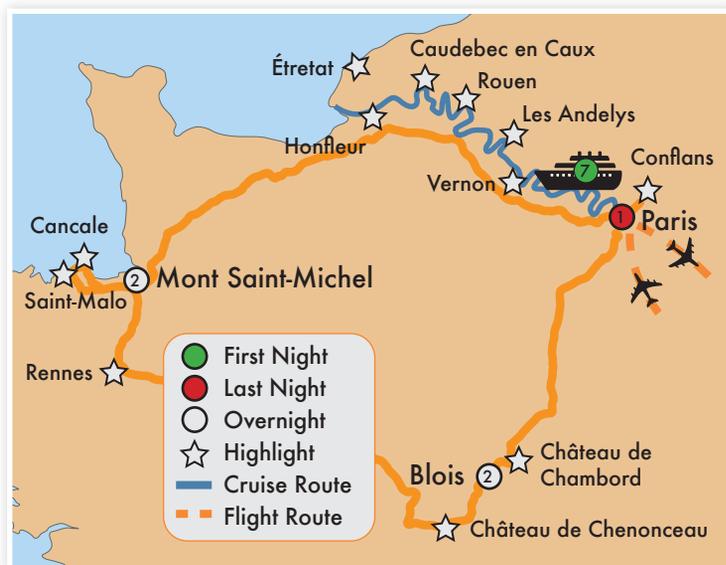
DAYS 1-2: BIENVENUE À PARIS!

After an overnight flight to Paris, board the *Amadeus Diamond*, your home for the next seven nights. Enjoy a special welcome cocktail and dinner on board before settling in for the exciting adventure ahead. *Meals In-Flight, L, D*

DAY 3: CONFLANS/AUVERS-SUR-OISE

Just 30 minutes from the bustling City of Lights, the village of Auvers-sur-Oise sits between the Oise River and rugged cliffs. Visit Van Gogh's grave at the hilltop cemetery and explore the Château d'Auvers, a 17th-century estate immortalized in his paintings. *B, L, D*

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DAY 4: ROUEN

Explore Rouen's medieval charm, from Gothic churches and half-timbered houses to Monet's cathedral and the iconic "Gros Horloge" clock. Visit the site where Joan of Arc was burned and admire the striking Saint-Maclou Church. In the afternoon, tour Le Pressoir d'Or cider house in Vexin Normand, exploring its orchard, cellar, and cider-making museum before a tasting. End the day with free time in Lyons-la-Forêt, one of France's most beautiful villages. **B, L, D**

DAY 5: HONFLEUR/ÉTRETAT

Wake up in Le Havre, known for its unique post-World War II reconstruction and architecture. Enjoy the morning at leisure or take the optional excursion to Honfleur. In the afternoon, head to Étretat, famed for its dramatic white cliffs and stunning coastal views. **B, L, D**

+ **Option—Honfleur** Stroll through this charming port city on a guided tour. Wander its narrow, historic streets, visit the iconic Vieux Bassin, the Lieutenancy, and St. Catherine's Church, then browse local galleries and markets for cider, Calvados, and handmade crafts. \$100 per person

DAY 6: BEACHES OF NORMANDY

Explore the historic sites of Normandy, where pivotal moments of World War II come to life. Begin at Pointe du Hoc, where U.S. Army Rangers scaled the dramatic cliffs on D-Day, followed by a solemn visit to the Normandy American Cemetery in Colleville-sur-Mer, overlooking Omaha Beach. After a reflective stop at this hallowed ground, enjoy a leisurely lunch before delving deeper into history at the Overlord Museum, home to an extensive collection of wartime artifacts and vehicles. **B, L, D**

DAY 7: LES ANDELYS/VERNON

Take a short drive to Château Gaillard, Richard the Lionheart's 12th-century fortress overlooking the Seine. Continue to Giverny, where Monet found lifelong inspiration. Tour his vibrant home, hear stories of his artistic circle, and stroll through the gardens that shaped his masterpieces. This afternoon, enjoy free time on the ship, or partake in the optional excursion to visit Joséphine Bonaparte's beloved estate. **B, L, D**

+ **Option—Joséphine, Napoleon And Château De Malmaison** Once a run-down estate, Joséphine de Beauharnais transformed her mansion west of Paris into a gem of the First Empire period, where Napoleon made key decisions for France from 1800 to 1802. Explore their daily life, including the music room, council room, and Joséphine's bedroom, and enjoy free time in her cherished gardens. \$125 per person



Rouen

DAY 8: PARIS

It is once more "bonjour" to the French capital. Stunning sights include the incomparable Eiffel Tower, Les Invalides—famous as the burial place of Emperor Napoleon I—the fabulous Louvre Museum (entrance not included), the famed and elegant Champs-Élysées, the Jardin des Tuileries, and much more. Later, enjoy free time to explore the "City of Love" on your own, or visit Montmartre on the optional excursion. **B, L, D**

+ **Option—Montmartre** With its narrow, winding streets and charming squares filled with artists and history, Montmartre offers panoramic views of Paris. Explore its hillside vineyard, Moulin de la Galette, and the Bateau Lavoir studio where artists like Picasso and Renoir once worked. Walk the same cobbled paths that inspired generations of creators, soaking in the area's romantic and bohemian spirit. \$100 per person

DAY 9: LOIRE VALLEY

Today, say "au revoir" to the *Amadeus Diamond*. Along the way to the Loire Valley, discover the Château de Chambord, a French Renaissance masterpiece, with an interactive tour. This evening, settle into your hotel in Blois, a charming hillside city along the Loire River. **B, L, D**

Omaha Beach



DAY 10: VINEYARDS AND CASTLES

Today, impressive castles and fine wines await. Begin with a tour of Château de Chenonceau, one of the most breathtaking castles in France. Enjoy lunch in a cave restaurant, a unique and memorable setting. At the winery, meet a passionate winemaker, learn about the region's winemaking traditions, and savor a sampling of the Loire Valley's renowned wines. This evening, enjoy dinner on your own and time to explore Blois at your leisure. **B, L**

DAY 11: RENNES

This morning, depart Blois and head to Rennes, Brittany's vibrant capital city. Enjoy a guided tour of its elaborate city center, immense cathedral, and medieval quarter. Lunch awaits at a local favorite before heading for Mont Saint-Michel. **B, L, D**

DAY 12: CANCALE/SAINT-MALO

Visit the historic coastal city of Saint-Malo. Enjoy a guided tour of the charming "Intra-Muros." Admire the breathtaking panoramic views of the sea and neighboring islands. In stunning Cancale, the Parcs Saint-Kerber Oyster Farm opens its doors to show the trade secrets of oyster farming before a special tasting of their fresh "Perles Cancalaises." **B, L, D**

DAY 13: MONT SAINT-MICHEL

Spend time today visiting Mont Saint-Michel, the second most visited site in France. Take a guided tour of the mountaintop abbey and learn all about its thousand-year history. After touring and exploring "le mont," enjoy lunch before departing Mont Saint-Michel for Paris. *Note: A special D-Day commemoration, if possible, will be determined closer to departure.* **B, L, D**

DAY 14: RETURN HOME

It's time to bid "adieu" to France and begin your journey home, filled with memories. **B** ✨

Enjoy this *Exclusive Early Booking Discount* pricing until September 30, 2025!

Cabin	Price	Early Booking Discount	Price with Discount
Haydn Forward	\$6,499	-\$500	\$5,999
Strauss Stern	\$7,299	-\$700	\$6,599
Strauss Forward	\$7,399	-\$700	\$6,699
Mozart Stateroom	\$7,799	-\$1000	\$6,799
Mozart Suite	\$8,599	-\$1000	\$7,599

Port Charges and Fees: \$185, Single supplements: Haydn +\$3,000, Strauss/Mozart +\$4,000, Suite +\$5,000



Giverny



Château de Chambord

Saint-Malo



TOUR DETAILS

14 Days • 35 Meals

May 26-Jun 8, 2026

Price Per Person:

See Table

Depart/Return:



St. Louis

Kansas City

Springfield

Passport Required

HIGHLIGHTS

- 7 Nights aboard the *MS Amadeus Diamond*
- Special D-Day commemoration the weekend of June 6 (TBD)
- Discover Normandy's capital of Rouen
- Visit the charming cities of Caudebec-en-Caux, Les Andelys, and Vernon
- Castle tours and winery visits in the Loire Valley
- Visit an oyster farm in Cancale
- Explore Rennes, the capital of Brittany
- Guided Tours of Saint-Malo and Mont Saint-Michel

ACCOMMODATIONS

Nights 2-8: *MS Amadeus Diamond*

Nights 9-10: Hotel Mercure, Blois OR

Novotel Blois Centre Val de Loire

Nights 11-12: Mercure, Mont Saint-Michel

Night 13: Novotel Roissy Convention, Paris CDG