

LE HAVRE, FRANCE

Disembark: 0800 Wednesday, September 17

Onboard: 1800 Friday, September 19

Brief Overview: Le Havre is the second largest port in France. Situated along the English Channel, the city was nearly destroyed during World War II. As a result of its consistent efforts toward reconstruction and revolutionary urban planning, it was added to UNESCO's World Heritage list in 2005. Normandy, deriving its name from the 'Norsemen', or Vikings, is known for its half-timbered houses and farmland and even more so, as home to the **D-Day landings**, the largest military operation in history. Take time to visit the beaches, as well as the cemeteries and monuments which lay tribute here. From the chateaus to the rugged coastline, it is no wonder why so many artists found inspiration here. Spend time exploring the cliffs of **Étretat** or **Honfleur**, where the majestic Seine River meets the sea, and place yourself in some of the exact locations where Claude Monet stood with his easel over 100 years ago.



Out of town: Traveling inland to the **Loire Valley**, experience by bicycle the architectural glories of the Middle Ages and Renaissance periods. Home to more than 300 châteaux, take in the beauty of the castles, vineyards, and magnificent gardens located here. About a two-hour train ride from Le Havre, you may immerse yourself in the grandness of **Paris**. Take time to stroll the bridges toward Île de la Cité, visit the Champs-Élysées, and relax over the stunning views from Montmartre. From the museums, to the parks, gardens, and many historical monuments, there is never a shortage of things to experience or cafes to visit.

Suggested short-cuts to simple planning:

The following trips are grouped according to interest categories.

Cultural Highlights:

Day 1: LEH 101-101 Mont Saint- Michel

Day 1: LEH 301-101 Castles of Loire Valley

Art and Architecture:

Day 2 : LEH 113-201 SAS Exclusive: Paris' Iconic Architecture

Day 2: LEH 190-201 Highlights of Paris

Day 3: LEH 106-301 Giverney Monet's Gardens and Honfleur

Historical Perspective:

Day 1: LEH 112-101 D-Day Landing Beaches

Day 1: LEH 111-101 Fecamp & Etretat

Day 3: LEH 112-201 D-Day Landing Beaches

Impact Opportunities:

Day 1: LEH 203-101 Homestay in St. Malo

Taste of France:

Day 3: LEH 110-301 Apple Cidery & Distillery w/ Crepe Lunch

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Day 1: Wednesday, September 17

LEH 301-101

CASTLES OF THE LOIRE VALLEY

3 DAYS/ 2 NIGHTS

Explore one of France's most precious regions: The Loire Valley.

On this 3-day enchanting trip you will visit several breathtaking castles and gardens, all remnants of a rich and eventful past. More-over you'll get a good taste of the French gastronomy, sampling wines and cheeses for lunch. You will also enjoy plenty of free time along the way.

On day one you leave Le Havre on the coach that will take you to the Castle of Carrouges. This Castle began life as a fortified stronghold during the Hundred Years' War. Next will drive to Tours, your home-base for the next following 2 nights. This vibrant and dynamic city is a good example of French everyday life. Entering Tours you will first enjoy a sightseeing tour from the coach and later on, after checking-in the hotel, a guided walk is on the program. Dinner is served in your hotel. The evening you can spend at leisure.



This emblematic monument and its landscaped gardens offer one of the most remarkable panoramas of the Loire valley, and are registered as a World Heritage site by Unesco. After your visit you will get some free time to do some shopping or simply relax at one of the many bars or coffeehouses. At the end of the Day your coach will bring you back to your hotel.

On the final day, you'll visit a veritable jewel in Villandry. The Castle and the gardens are stunning. Villandry is a Renaissance Chateau in a beautiful setting among three tiers of terraced gardens. It was the last of the great Renaissance chateaux to be built on the banks of the Loire, and its architecture combines with gardens laid out on three levels in a happy marriage of beauty, diversity, and harmony. To end our trip in style, you will enjoy a nice French lunch at the Castle of Villandry, before returning to the ship in Le Havre.

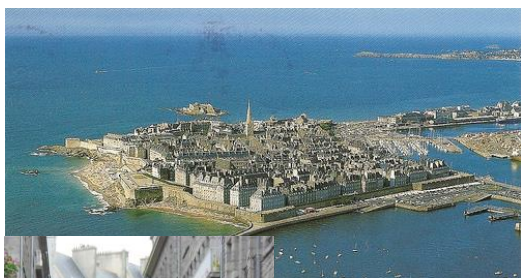
STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$844	\$799
Child	\$422	\$399
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	September 17	0830
Return	September 19	1645
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Four Chateaux of the Loir Valley • Wine tasting in the "caves" • Lunch in Villandry Castle • Free time in Tours 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 44		

Day 2 begins with a visit to the Castle of Chenonceau. Perhaps the most famous castle in the Loire valley, the Château de Chenonceau is a haven of peace and a stunning testimonial to the charms of Touraine and the Renaissance. For lunch you'll have the opportunity to taste some amazing wines and French cheeses at the Cave Duhard. After lunch, visit the Castle of Amboise.

LEH 203-101

HOMESTAY IN ST. MALO

2 DAYS/ 1 NIGHT



Homestays are always a favorite of students, and this one in France will certainly be great! Experience **home** abroad on a "mini-immersion" with a French family who will welcome you to their home in St. Malo, on Brittany's beautiful Emerald Coast. Ten families have been

screened and selected to host two students per family. Host families are excited to welcome students and have requested information about student allergies or any special food restrictions so that they can best accommodate guests.

- Day 1: Your host family will welcome you with a walk in the city and along the beach. Then together the group can visit a WWII memorial where there will be a ceremony that students can join (there is a 3,5 € fee that is not included) In the evening, you can help with cooking and doing grocery shopping and spend the night with the family exchanging thoughts,

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$229	\$220
Child	\$115	\$110
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	September 17	0900
Return	September 18	1800
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homestay with family • Guided walk with family 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION:20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY:20		

eating dinner and experiencing the REAL France.

- Day 2: Take part in a fun “quest” in the city where the students are guided through the city and have to answer questions by asking local people. In addition, we can join a game of 'jeu de boules! Enjoy a last lunch before boarding your coach for the return trip to the ship in Le Havre.



Walk Omaha Beach in Normandy.

If it’s not already at the top of your voyage **MUST DO** list, it should be. June 6 marks the 70th anniversary of D-Day -- the day that more than 150,000 Allied servicemen landed on the beaches of France and the beginning of the end of World War II. Get primed for this moving and inspiring day by watching one or all of these classic D-Day movies: *Band of Brothers*, *Saving Private Ryan* and *The Longest Day*.

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After lunch, we continue to Colleville-sur-mer and the impressive **American Cemetery** which overlooks Omaha Beach. In this area some of the most intense fighting took place.

Finally, your coach will bring you to **Pointe du Hoc**, located between Omaha beach and Utah beach. Here a heavily-armed German battery was heroically destroyed by American troops on the first day of the



invasion. The view from here also provides a unique perspective on to the rugged terrain. The craters, created by the bombs, are still visible, as well as remnants of the German bunkers.

Please Note: Drive time is approximately 1 hour and 45 minutes each way.

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Adult	\$127	\$122
Child	\$64	\$61
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	September 17	0800
Return	September 17	1700
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scenic drive through Normandy • Landing Museum • American Cemetery overlooking Omaha Beach • Omaha Beach • Pointe du Hoc 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 30		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		





Approximately 1 hour's drive from the port, lies the Benedictine Palace in Fécamp. During a guided tour of the 19th century Benedictine Palace, visitors will learn the history behind the development and rediscovery of the herbal liquor known as Benedictine. Today, the palace is an eccentric museum and a distillery. In the halls, you can smell the aroma of the 27 herbs and spices that go

into making the liquor. At the end of the visit, you will enjoy a sample.

Later, we will drive down the Côte d'Albâtre (Alabaster coast), named after the chalky cliffs and milky waters that characterize the Normandy coastline, to the Cliff of Etretat. During a brief guided walking tour, discover the history of Etretat and its association with the sea. Enjoy your free time to explore Etretat independently before reboarding your motor coach back to Le Havre.

Important Notes: Guests must be a minimum of 18 years old in order to participate in the liquor tasting. It is recommended that guests dress in layered clothing and wear flat, comfortable shoes.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$83	\$80
Child	\$42	\$40
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	September 17	1230
Return	September 17	1800
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit of Benedictine Palace (Fécamp) • White chalk cliffs of Alabaster coast • Etretat. 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		



Day 2: Thursday, September 18

LEH 109-201

HIGHLIGHTS OF PARIS

FULL DAY



Board your coach for a scenic drive through the countryside of Normandy en route to Paris.

During this tour, we will see the main highlights of Paris, the world's most romantic capital. The Eiffel Tower, which was completed in 1889 for the world exhibition in Paris and, the Place de la Concorde, where Louis XIV and Marie Antoinette were beheaded in

1793 during the French Revolution, are among the many sights you will see. Don't forget to take a picture with the Pyramids at the Louvre museum.

Enjoy some free time for lunch at your own expense.

After lunch, we continue past famous landmarks as the Arc de Triomphe, which was commissioned by Napoleon to commemorate his victory at Austerlitz in 1806 but was not finished until 1836. Napoleon found his inspiration in the triumphal arches of the Roman period. We also make a stop and enter the Notre Dame Cathedral where Napoleon was crowned Emperor.

Please Note: There will not be time to enter the Louvre or the Eiffel Tower on this Express "highlights" trip to Paris.

After this cultural experience, the coach will bring you back to the ship.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$117	\$112
Child	\$59	\$56
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	September 18	0730
Return	September 18	1930
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sights of Paris Notre Dame 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION:35		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY:130		



LEH 113-201

SAS EXCLUSIVE: PARIS ICONIC ARCHITECTURE

FULL DAY



Join Architecture professor **John Meunier** and Engineering professor **Rich D'Amato** for this insiders look at some of the most iconic architecture and design achievements in Paris and, arguably, the world. Walk or ride to the top of the Eiffel Tower, a marvel of engineering and design built for the 1889 World's Fair and named for its design engineer, Gustav Eiffel. Discuss the light and tranquility of Notre Dame. Discover the funky and ultra-modern Pompidou Center, which opened its doors in 1977. You are probably familiar with all of these images, but, it may be the exposed iron and light of the National Library's reading room, built in the mid-nineteenth century, that most surprises

participants.

Lunch at your own expense.

Please note: There will be a LOT of walking.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$168	\$159
Child	\$84	\$80
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	September 18	0730
Return	September 18	2130
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eiffel Tower (reserved entrance) The Pompidou Center Notre Dame Labrouste's Bibliotheque Nationale 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION:30		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY:42		





Three hours from Le Havre is the extraordinary Mont-Saint-Michel, an Abbey and fortress especially known for the spectacular effects of the tidal variance.

During the visit, we walk uphill alongside the winding cobblestone walkways, passing centuries-old houses. After a climb of at least 365 steps, we reach the top of the

rock and get rewarded with the sight of the beautiful Abbey Church. The Abbey rises above the island with its impressive spire, more than 500 feet tall. In the architecture, you find Norman, Roman and Gothic elements. Since 1979, Mont-Saint-Michel belongs to the UNESCO World Heritage. Inside the abbey, you experience the monks' daily life walking through the dining hall and the Gothic monastery.

After the guided tour, there is time to explore the picturesque village in the labyrinthine passageways, alongside the historic old houses and shops.

Please note: Guests must be able to walk approximately 1 mile over even and cobblestone surfaces with 365 steps to reach the Abbey. Driving time from Le Havre to Mont St. Michel is 3 hours each way, dependent upon traffic conditions. A strict dress code is enforced in the Abbey Church. Short pants and tank tops are not acceptable. Flash photography is also not permitted inside the Abbey.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$133	\$128
Child	\$67	\$64
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	September 18	0830
Return	September 18	1800
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk through town of Mont-Saint-Michel • Mont-Saint-Michel Abbey and guided tour • Free time 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 30		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 42		



Day 3: Friday, September 19

IMPORTANT: If you registered in one of the following courses, you have a field lab on this day.

Do not make any other travel plans as this is a designated class day in port for your course:

Field Lab	Le Havre, France	Friday, 19 September
ARTS 2511 502	Professor Todd Forsgren	Documentary Photography (Section 2)
ARTH 2559 101	Professor Marc Vincent	Great Monuments of the Atlantic World

LEH 110-301 APPLE CIDERY & DISTILLERY w/ CREPE LUNCH FULL DAY



This is your chance to learn about the special, regional distilleries of Normandy known as Cideries and Calvados, where they press APPLES, instead of grapes – equally intoxicating (metaphorically, of course)! This tour goes inland where you can discover the dazzling beauty of the Pays d’Auge region, where quaint houses and rolling hills are

the norm. First stop will be the charming Manoir Grandouet. This family owned distillery/farm introduces you the old way of making cider and the more advanced technologies of today. See if you can taste the difference!

At lunch time you will stop in Crêperie des Jardins for a typical French specialty: crêpes (or pancakes – sweet or savory)

Next we make a stop in Breuil en Auge where we visit the marvelous picturesque Château du Breuil. We visit the copper-silled distillery and walk around the castle grounds and have some picturesque exterior views of the old castle. The Château was built between in the 16th and 17th century and has been home for several noble families over the years. Today, the Calvados age in deep oak casks in the cellar of the castle, as they have for many centuries. We do not leave before tasting this delicious product.

After the visit, we return to the coach to return to Le Havre where the tour ends.



Please note: We recommend weather appropriate clothing; flat, comfortable walking shoes; cap and sunglasses.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$ 138	\$132
Child	\$ 69	\$66
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	September 16	0900
Return	September 16	1630
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit 2 Calvados (Apple cider distilleries) • Tastings of Cider, Pommeau & Calvados • Lunch at a Creperie 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		



You will first travel to Giverny to visit Monet's home and Gardens. When Monet and his family settled in Giverny in 1883, the piece of land sloping gently down from the house to the road was planted with an orchard and enclosed by high stone walls. A central alley bordered with pines separated it into two

parts. Monet had the pines cut down, keeping only the two yews closest to the house to please Alice. Monet did not like organized nor constrained gardens. He married flowers according to their colors and left them to grow rather freely.

You will have a **guided tour of Monet's house and the two gardens**, the Clos Normand in front of the house, and a Japanese inspired water garden on the other side of the road. The two parts of Monet's garden contrast and complement one another. Continue the day with a visit to **Honfleur**. Honfleur is a maritime town of great historical interest.

This coastal town is located on the Seine estuary just south of Le Havre, now easily accessible by the new bridge the 'Pont de Normandie'. This elegant bridge briefly held the record as the world's longest cable-stayed bridge. This port was built in the 17th century and apart from the narrow entrance for boats is surrounded on all sides by beautiful, tall, narrow buildings. On one side of the port is the unusual wooden spire of the 15th century church of Saint Etienne. This is the oldest church in Honfleur and is now home to the town's maritime museum. You will have the opportunity to learn more about this little town as you walk through the streets and discover fabulous houses and monuments. You will also have free time to explore and have lunch on your own. Honfleur has made its marks throughout French history, being in turn, a military stronghold, a well-known commercial port, an artistic town and the birthplace of many personalities.

Untouched by the passage of time, this small port has kept the landmarks of its rich past, making it one of the most visited towns in France.

*"I **LOVED** Monet's gardens!! PLEASE keep this in the itinerary!" Kaitlyn S. Fall '13 student*

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Adult	\$139	\$ 133
Child	\$ 69	\$ 67
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	September 19	0900
Return	September 19	1830
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit Monet's garden at Giverny • Discover the beautiful town Honfleur 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION:30		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY:45		



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and inspiring day by watching one or all of these classic D-Day movies: *Band of Brothers*, *Saving Private Ryan* and *The Longest Day*.

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After lunch, we continue to Colleville-sur-mer and the impressive **American Cemetery** which overlooks Omaha Beach. In this area some of the most intense fighting took place. A brief memorial service will be held during our visit.

Finally, your coach will bring you to **Pointe du Hoc**, located between Omaha beach and Utah beach. Here a heavily-armed German battery was heroically destroyed by American troops on the first day of the invasion. The view from here also provides a unique perspective on to the rugged terrain. The craters, created by the bombs, are still visible, as well as remnants of the German bunkers.



This visit offers the chance to mesh the facts and logistical issues on the ground with the sobering reality being personally

present on a critical battle site, and to contemplate the human costs that ultimately produced the political accommodation and partnership by nations on both sides of the Atlantic Ocean.

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