Flavors of Provence
by Luxury River Ship

MAY 29 - JUNE 6, 2024
Featuring
Professor Holly Harder

BOOK WITH CONFIDENCE
30-day refund guarantee
Dear Alumni and Friends,

I invite you to join us on a luxury river cruise exploring France’s storied southeastern region along the Rhône and Saône Rivers.

You’ll enjoy amazing scenery, including fields of seasonal sunflowers and lavender, olive trees, vineyards, and medieval architecture. French markets will create inspiring settings for discovery while visits to the Palace of Popes, a UNESCO World Heritage site in Avignon, will connect you to history. You’ll experience fine dining and wine and learn the art of making baguettes, and have the opportunity to explore mysterious passageways known as traboules in historic Lyon.

In partnership with local experts, Hollie Harder, Professor of French and Francophone Studies, will lead the journey and share her knowledge of French language, culture, and literature. Travelers will have an opportunity to learn common French phrases for an immersive and enriching experience.

Relax and unwind for seven nights aboard the Amadeus Provence. The ship boasts broad windows, stylish furnishings, attentive room service, five-course evening menus, and spacious public areas.

Space is limited, and we anticipate this tour will fill quickly. Reserve your space today by calling Orbridge at (866) 639-0079.

Sincerely,

F. Patricia Fisher
Vice President, Alumni Relations
Brandeis University

Special Faculty Host: Holly Harder

Hollie Harder is Professor of French and Francophone Studies and Director of the language programs in French and Italian in the Department of Romance Studies. In addition to teaching courses on French language, culture, and literature at Brandeis, she is a Marcel Proust scholar who leads discussion groups at the Boston Athenaeum and other institutions on his seven-volume novel, “In Search of Lost Time.” Professor Harder has published articles on the works of Proust, Émile Zola, Honoré de Balzac, and Michel Houellebecq.

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Your 9-Day Itinerary  
(subject to change)  |  (B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner)

Day 1: En Route from U.S.

Day 2: Arrive in Lyon, France / Embark (D)
Unwind with a welcome cocktail and dinner after boarding ship
Overnight: Amadeus Provence

Day 3: Mâcon (B,L,D)
Walking tour of Fleurie, wine tasting with sommelier at Château de Chasselas
Overnight: Amadeus Provence

Day 4: Chalon-sur-Saône / Tournus (B,L,D)
Picturesque drive through the Burgundy Wine Route, guided tour of Hôtel Dieu, Caves Patriarche wine cellar
Château de Cormatin visit, afternoon goat farm experience and cheese tasting
Overnight: Amadeus Provence

Day 5: Lyon (B,L,D)
Old Lyon UNESCO World Heritage Site tour, Roman Theatre of Fourvière, Notre Dame, Les Halles de Lyon Paul Bocuse indoor market
Overnight: Amadeus Provence

Day 6: Avignon (B,L,D)
Panoramic city tour, Palace of the Popes, Pont d’Avignon, hands-on boulangerie baking experience, Châteauneuf-du-Pape wine tasting
Overnight: Amadeus Provence

Day 7: Avignon / Arles (B,L,D)
Touring of Alpilles and Les Baux, artisanal olive oil mill tour and tasting
Overnight: Amadeus Provence

Day 8: Châteauneuf-du-Rhône / Le Pouzin (B,L,D)
Scenic drive, tours of truffle farm and village of Grignan, enjoy leisure time, Captain’s Gala Dinner
Overnight: Amadeus Provence

Day 9: Lyon / Disembarkation / Depart for U.S. (B)

Activity Level: Guests should be able to enjoy two hours or more of walking, be sure-footed on cobbled surfaces, and walk up and down stairs without assistance. Historic city centers are usually more accessible by foot than vehicle, and sometimes it is not possible for your motor coach to drop you off at the entrances of hotels and sites. Due to the structure of some buildings, facilities for people with disabilities may be limited.
Program Highlights

• Survey the region’s history with tours of Beaune’s Hôtel Dieu and Caves Patriarche, Lyon’s Fourvière Hill, and more.

• Tour the Village of Fleurie with an exclusive wine experience at family-owned Château de Chasselas on 12 hectares of vines located in the Burgundy and Beaujolais wine regions.

• Visit a goat farm in the Mâconnais countryside to learn about cheese production and sustainability.

• On a walking tour of historic Lyon, navigate through traboules, or secret passageways, and gain an understanding of their purpose.

• Tour Les Halles de Lyon Paul Bocuse indoor market and taste why Lyon is said to be the “world’s gastronomic capital.”

• Join an intimate, hands-on cooking class with a professional French baker to produce traditional baguettes in a boulangerie.

• See the passion, technique, and respect for olive oil production at an olive oil mill in Les Baux, sampling products from this effort.

• Elevate your wine knowledge and appreciation with unique tasting experiences and education by winemakers and sommeliers.

• Watch a search and retrieval session of truffles, and relish the opportunity to try the delicacies.

What’s Included

• 7 nights aboard the stylish and modern Amadeus Provence

• 7 breakfasts, 6 lunches, and 7 dinners served with red and white wines from the Provençal region of France

• All lessons, private tours and tastings, and special small-group excursions as noted in the 9-day itinerary

• Full guiding services of an Orbridge Travel Director and expert local guides

• Private motor coach transportation

• Luggage porterage

• Gratuities to Orbridge Travel Director, local guides, and drivers

• Airport transfers for guests arriving and departing during the suggested times
**Sail in Superior Style**

Beautifully designed and stocked with stand-out amenities—Amadeus Provence is intimate, elegant, and a perfectly relaxing stage for exploration.

**Stateroom Category**

**C4  C1**

Individual climate control, small panoramic window (cannot be opened), choice of bed configuration (double or twin bed), spacious wardrobe, flat screen television, direct dial telephone, safe, and spacious en suite bathroom with shower and hair dryer. Staterooms with connecting doors are available on request. 172 sq. ft.

**B4  B1  A1**

Individual climate control, drop-down panoramic window, choice of bed configuration (double or twin bed), walk-in wardrobe, flat screen television, direct dial telephone, safe, and spacious en suite bathroom with shower and hair dryer. 188 sq. ft.

**Suite**

Individual climate control, walk-out exterior balcony, choice of bed configuration (double or twin bed), walk-in wardrobe, comfortable corner sofa, flat screen television, direct dial telephone, safe, and luxurious en suite bathroom with shower, bathrobes, and hair dryer. 284 sq. ft.
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Fax: (206) 452-5655

**Reserve by Check:**
Made payable to Orbridge, LLC
Mail to: Orbridge, P.O. Box 1376
Poulsbo, WA 98370

For information related to trip insurance, please contact Meyer and Associates at (800) 635-7801.

**GUEST INFORMATION:**
Guest #1 Name (Title/Salutation):

Email:
Home Phone: ________________________
Address:
City: ________________________ State: _______ Zip: _______
Guest #2 Name (Title/Salutation):

Email: ________________________
Home Phone: ________________________

**DEPOSIT PAYMENT:**
- [ ] Check
- [ ] ACH (Automated Clearing House)
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**CATEGORY SELECTION & DEPOSIT:**
Category Preference: 1st choice ________________________ 2nd choice ________________________

# _________ guests joining program ($850/person) = TOTAL DEPOSIT: $______

I/we have read, understand, and agree to the full Terms & Conditions at terms.orbridge.com; and I/we agree that Orbridge, LLC is authorized to charge my credit card above and/or take my/our deposit for this program.

Signature: __________________________
Date: __________________________

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**Reservations, Deposits and Final Payment.** To secure your reservation, deposits are due upon placing a reservation as follows: $850 per person per program and $500 per person for any pre/post-tour. Orbridge accepts payment by check, ACH, wire or major credit card. Final payment is due 90 days prior to the departure date. Reservations must be received by the final payment due date at the time of registration. If final payment is not received by Orbridge by the final payment due date, Orbridge may cancel your reservation in its sole discretion with no right of refund. CST#2098789-80 WST#602828994

**Reservation Grace Period.** Reservations made 121+ days prior to the departure date may be cancelled within 30 days from the reservation date ("Grace Period") for a full refund. Notice of cancellation must be received in writing during the Grace Period. The date of receipt will be used for the effective date.

**Reservation Cancellations and Refunds.** Notice of cancellation must be submitted to Orbridge in writing. The date of receipt will be used for the effective date. If the cancellation notice is received after the Grace Period (if applicable): (a) 91+ days prior to the departure date, all monies paid will be refunded less an administrative fee of $350 per person for the main program and $200 per person for a pre/post-tour; (b) 90-76 days prior to the departure date, a 25% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (c) 75-61 days prior to the departure date, a 50% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (d) 60-46 days prior to the departure date, a 75% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program and the balance will be refunded; (e) within 45 days prior to the departure date, a 100% cancellation fee for the full cost of the program. A 100% cancellation fee applies to all non-refundable airfare. Refunds, if any, will be processed within 30 days of our receipt of your written notice.

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