

# Southern France River Cruise

*Affordable 14 nights cruising the Rhone & Saone Rivers*

August 2016

Photo of the Camargue region

\$7,590 per person / twin share 22 Day tour

Inclusive of Singapore Airlines economy class return airfares

Ask about the Premium Economy upgrade surcharge

First Class return TGV rail to Lyon

14 night River Cruise in Deluxe mid-ship cabin

3 nights in Paris, plus Singapore stopover



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*A European River Cruise is on a lot of people's 'Travel Bucket List' but is often seen as being beyond their budget. Just as is flying in Business Class. Well there is an alternative, albeit by foregoing the 'luxury' element, yet see and do the same.*

*With the creation of new 5 star luxury river cruise ships, the ships from the mid 90's still offer great comfort and facilities and are now in the hands of new owners at an affordable price.*

*Similarly with flying those long distances, airlines are now re-configuring their aircraft to offer Premium Economy, again at affordable prices. See the back page of this brochure for the details.*



**Day 1: Tues 09 Aug. Depart Australia (meals in flight)**

Check in at Adelaide Airport two hours prior to your Singapore Airlines flight, which allows you to connect to Paris via Singapore. During our 9 hour transit we will have use of a Transit Hotel room for 6 hours to rest and freshen up. We check in for our Singapore to Paris flight late evening.

**Accommodation: Transit Hotel Singapore Airport / Le Pera Hotel, Paris**

**Day 2: Wed 10 Aug. Arrive Paris (meals in flight)**

Depart Singapore shortly after midnight to arrive into Paris early morning when we have a private transfer to the hotel for an early check in, our rooms have been booked for the night before to gain early access. Day and evening at leisure to relax after our long journey.

**Accommodation: Le Pera Hotel, Paris**

**Day 3: Thur 11 Aug. Paris (B)**

Today we take an escorted tour to the Eiffel Tower. You will have time to leisurely take in this wonderful city particularly with the evening at leisure. As a group we will investigate the restaurant options, join in if you wish.

**Accommodation: Le Pera Hotel, Paris**

**Day 4: Fri 12 Aug. Paris To Lyon (B, D)**

Mid morning we transfer to Gare de Lyon to board the TGV train to Lyon travelling in 1st Class. Following our 2 hour journey we transfer to the dock for boarding. Our cabins are on the Saone middle deck in Deluxe category. Ship sets sail later this evening.

**Accommodation until Day 18: MV Bellefleur**

**Day 5: Sat 13 Aug. Chalon-sur-Saone (B, L, D)**

We arrive into Chalon-sur-Saone late morning. There are two optional excursions available to you, or casually explore the location at your own leisure.

**Day 6: Sun 14 Aug. Tournus & Macon (B, L, D)**

We depart Chalon-sur-Saone early morning for Tournus arriving mid morning. We are in this town until early afternoon when we head for Macon arriving early evening.

**Day 7: Mon 15 Aug. Macon (B, L, D)**

We spend the entire day here in Macon. There are two optional excursions available to you including Monasteries and wine tasting, or casually explore the location at your own leisure.

**Day 8: Tues 16 Aug. Trevoux (B, L, D)**

We arrive into Trevoux early morning staying only until noon. When we sail overnight for Viviers. During the morning casually explore the location at your own leisure.

**Day 9: Wed 17 Aug. Viviers (B, L, D)**

We arrive into Viviers early morning. The excursion into the Grotto sounds most interesting and unusual.

**Day 10: Thur 18 Aug. Port St Louis (B, L, D)**

We arrive into Port St Louis early morning and spend the entire day and evening here.

**Day 11: Fri 19 Aug. Arles (B, L, D)**

We depart Port St Louis early morning arriving into Arles at midday until the following day. You







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may wish to take the walking tour of Arles or casually explore the location at your own leisure.

**Day 12: Sat 20 Aug. Arles (B, L, D)**

A full day in Arles. There are two optional excursions available to you including a 4 hour excursion to the Camargue region as well as a walking tour of Arles.

**Day 13: Sun 21 Aug. Avignon (B, L, D)**

We arrive into Avignon early morning for a full day. There are two optional excursions available to you including the Popes Palace and Pont du Gard aqueduct.

**Day 14: Mon 22 Aug. Avignon (B, L, D)**

We do not depart Avignon until later this afternoon. Plenty of time to explore more of this region. We arrive early evening staying only until midnight to view Chateauneuf-du-Pape.

**Day 15: Tue 23 Aug. Tournon-Sur-Rhone (B, L, D)**

We arrive early morning for a full day. Abounds with heritage, in particular a Feudal Castle situated on top of a cliff.

**Day 16: Wed 24 Aug. Vienne (B, L, D)**

We arrive early morning for a full day. Explore Roman Monuments dating back to 50AD.

**Day 17: Thur 25 Aug. Lyon (B, L, D)**

We arrive early morning for a full day. There are two optional excursions available to you including a wine tasting.

**Day 18: Fri 26 Aug. Lyon - Paris CDG (B, L, D)**

After breakfast we transfer to Lyon Railway Station for our 1st Class TGV journey to Charles De Gaulle airport for an overnight stay.

**Accommodation: Novotel Airport Hotel**

**Day 19: Sat 27 Aug. Paris (B, meals in flight)**

Breakfast at the hotel. We check-out of the hotel mid-morning walking to the departure terminal for the overnight flight to Singapore.

**Accommodation: In flight**

**Day 20: Sun 28 Aug. Singapore (B in flight)**

Breakfast in flight. We arrive into Singapore early morning, transfer to our hotel for our early

morning check in and day at leisure to rest.

**Accommodation: 4\* Hotel Airline Package**

**Day 21: Mon 29 Aug. Singapore (meals in flight)**

A free day to explore Singapore. As part of your Singapore Airlines Stopover Package you will have a series of transport and tourist attraction vouchers. Early evening we transfer to the airport for our overnight flight home.

**Accommodation: In Flight**

**Day 22: Tues 30 Aug. Home (B in flight)**

Breakfast in flight prior to touching down in Adelaide early morning.

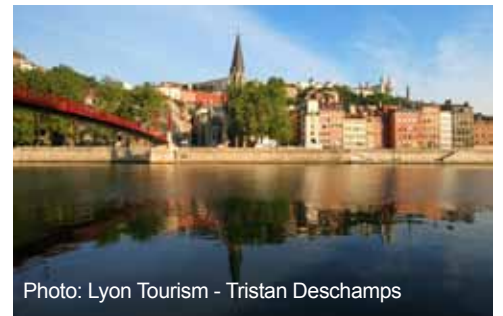


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**22 Day / 21 night Tour**  
**\$7,590 per person / twin share**

**Tour Package includes:**

- Return Economy class airfares to Paris with Singapore Airlines
- All airport / rail transfers
- 3 nights in Paris / 1 night at CDG airport Paris
- Eiffel Tower tour in Paris
- Paris to Lyon return 1st class TGV rail
- 14 night Rhone and Saone River cruise mid-ship deluxe cabin with panoramic window
- Port Taxes
- Full board cuisine, house wine, beer, soft drinks with lunch and dinner
- Singapore Stopover Package with tour vouchers

**Tour Package does not include:**

- Travel Insurance
- Items of a personal nature
- Tipping on board - 8 Euro per person per day debit to your cabin account

- Ask about the Premium Economy class upgrade option - see back page.
- Contact Jeff for the Sole Use of hotel rooms and cabin, there are several options which vary in price.
- Expected temperature based on the weather in 2015 is an average low of 15C and an average high of 27C, with occasional highs in the low 30's.





### Introducing a brand new way to travel

Where comfort and convenience meets contemporary, the new Premium Economy seat is thoughtfully designed for the discerning traveller. Premium Economy offers increased personal space with more width, more pitch and a wide centre console within a dedicated cabin. Each spacious seat is upholstered fully in leather and equipped with an adjustable winged head rest, calf-rest and foot-rest. Ease into superior lounging comfort as you recline the seat. Including a 38 inch seat pitch, up to 19.5 inch wide seat and an 8 inch recline, the new seat offers great comfort.



### High definition entertainment

Enjoy the world's most advanced KrisWorld in-flight entertainment system boasting an improved graphical user interface (GUI) on our 13.3 inch HD-enabled touchscreen\* LCD monitor, the largest screen in its class. (Touchscreen monitor only available on selected routes). With active noise cancelling headphones, be entertained in crystal clear sound on our flights as you choose from more than 1,000 on-demand options to enjoy, using the touchscreen handsets. With a fully adjustable reading lamp, in seat power supply, Wi-Fi connectivity and two USB ports, there's everything you need to catch up on work, socialise and indulge in a game or two.

### Culinary pleasures

We offer a variety of exquisite food and beverages, from Singapore and Asian flavours, to International classics. You may book your meal from a selection<sup>^</sup> of specially created dishes through the Premium Economy Book the Cook service before you fly. Enjoy a coupe de Champagne or two, or take your pick from a wide range of beverages.

<sup>^</sup>Service available up to 24 hours prior to your flight.



### Privileges

Enjoy perks before you even board the aircraft including Priority Check-in and boarding, priority baggage handling and a 35kg baggage allowance. If you are a KrisFlyer member, also enjoy 110% of the actual miles flown every time you fly Premium Economy Class.

**\$1,100 surcharge for mixed class:  
Economy ADL-SIN-ADL  
Premium economy SIN-CDG-SIN  
Talk to Jeff for the explanation**

## TERMS & CONDITIONS

### ITINERARY & COSTS

- Prices are based on the exchange rate at the time of printing. They are quoted in Australian Dollars and are GST free for international travel, and GST inclusive for domestic travel and services.
- Details of particular hotels described in the itinerary may change due to quality control by the Tour Operator. Every endeavour will be made to keep details up to date. A hotel of similar or superior standard will be substituted.
- Flight schedules are correct at the time of printing. Any changes are outside of the control of Specialised Travel. Should the itinerary and tour costs change as a result of schedule changes the passenger will bear the difference.
- In the event that change(s) cause the tour to be substantially different than the initial price quoted, the passenger has the right to withdraw from the tour. Some airline and/or hotel deposits may be forfeited.

### MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS & TRAVEL INSURANCE

- It is your personal responsibility to ensure you are adequately protected for travel outside of Australia. You can obtain information from your family doctor or consult the Traveller's Medical and Vaccination Centre in your capital city by phoning 1300 658 844.
- We strongly suggest you consider Travel Insurance. Specialised Travel will require proof of a policy or a signed Declaration from any traveller declining Travel Insurance.

### CANCELLATION CLAUSE

- Bookings cancelled at any time after confirmation will automatically incur a loss of deposit.
- In addition to the loss of deposit, other charges may be enforced by the airline, hotel or tour operator up to 100% of the tour cost, particularly within 45 days of departure.
- Any group tour may be cancelled if insufficient numbers are booked or events outside of our control cause cancellation. Optional dates will be

offered in such cases.

- Upon paying any money for deposits, part or full amounts, it is desirable to purchase your Travel Insurance to guard against most forms of cancellation.

### ROOM TYPES & BEDDING

- Prices for this tour are based on existing bedding at the hotels selected. Additional bedding will need to be specifically requested and is subject to availability.
- A Single Supplement is required to be paid if sole occupancy of a room is required.
- Single, interconnecting, twin as against double, smoking or non-smoking rooms need to be clearly referred to on the booking form, and are based upon availability.

### PASSPORT VALIDITY & VISA REQUIREMENTS

- Passports will require at least six months validity from the date of entry into a foreign country.
- Depending upon your Nationality, a Visa may be required prior to departing Australia.

### BAGGAGE ALLOWANCE & SECURITY CONTROL

- Economy Class travellers are allowed 20kgs per person. Business Class passengers are permitted 30 Kgs. No one bag may exceed 35 Kgs.
- Carry-on luggage is restricted to 5 Kgs, and no larger in size than 48cm X 34 cm X 23 cm.
- No sharp objects such as a nail file, scissors, Swiss Army knife, etc; is permitted in the aircraft cabin. Please ensure such items are packed into your check-in luggage.
- There are restrictions regarding the carrying onboard of liquids, aerosols and gels. No item, including duty-free, greater than 100ml is permitted and must be shown in a clear plastic bag at the security screening point.
- Any charges for excess luggage will be at the passenger's expense and payable upon check-in.

### RESPONSIBILITIES

- Specialised Travel does not accept any responsibility for any act or omission causing loss or injury to persons or property whether by negligence or otherwise on the part of the principals (the airline, hotel, tour operator, coach company or service provider) providing any facilities or services described in the tour package.
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