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Tours to France – autumn 2019 and 2020

With just under a month until the start of the Tour de France, [Martin Randall Travel](#) has several itineraries for exploring the towns and villages along the route at a more leisurely pace.

Wine, walks and art in Alsace

6–12 September 2019

One of France's prettiest wine regions, Alsace offers dry white wines from German-sounding varietals, vinified in Gallic style to result in a range of dry, white wines that are archetypically and undoubtedly French. They're best enjoyed alongside the magnificent local cuisine, including cheese from Munster, picnic foods like *tarte à l'oignon*, and colourful *pâtisseries* made from the abundance of local and seasonal fruits. Staying throughout in Colmar, this tour combines walks on paths criss-crossing the vineyards that cover the lower slopes of the Vosges, and visits to towns and villages displaying some of the immensely rich artistic heritage.

From £3,260 (pp, two sharing) including return flights from Heathrow to Basel, private coach transfers, 5 hotel accommodation, most meals with drinks, tips, taxes and the lecturer's talks.*

For further information, please call **020 8742 3355** or visit <https://www.martinrandall.com/wine-walks-art-alsace>

NEW: Les Années Folles - Paris in the Jazz Age

31 October–3 November 2019

At the end of the First World War and the austerity that had accompanied it, a thirst for pleasure swept through Paris and provoked a spirited artistic and intellectual response which was reflected in new social mores, music, art fashion and architecture. This short tour explores the finest Parisian buildings, interiors and collections of the Art Deco period, and its most dynamic and creative cultural figures. We visit buildings and museums off the beaten track, in the company of Patrick Bade, art historian and Paris resident.

From £1,720 (pp, two sharing) includes return Eurostar travel from London, 4 hotel accommodation, most meals with drinks, tips, taxes and the talks by the lecturer.*

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NEW: Provence at Christmas

20–27 December 2019

Visit fine Roman remains, and Roman-influenced medieval architecture and sculpture, as well as truly great secular buildings, from the papal palace at Avignon to the magnificent Pont-du-Gard, with a Christmas concert in St Symphorien's Church in Avignon. Hotel accommodation is provided throughout in Avignon, as well as dinner on Christmas day.

From £2,980 (pp, two sharing) includes return BA flights from Heathrow to Marseille, private coach travel, most meals with drinks, excursions, tips and taxes.

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Champagne: vines, cellars and cuvées

8–12 September 2020

Spend five days based in Reims with excursions by private coach to a selection of independent and multinational producers in Reims, Épernay and the villages of the Côte des Blancs. The itinerary includes a private visit to Moët, and tastings at Dom Pérignon, Charles Heidsieck, as well as in the *premier cru* village of Mailly.

Prices from £2,190pp (two sharing) includes return Eurostar travel from London, private coach transfers, 4 hotel accommodation, most meals with drinks, champagne visits and tastings, tips, taxes and the lecturer's talks.*

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Notes to editors:

Martin Randall Travel is the leading specialist in cultural tours, organising a unique series of all-inclusive music festivals and around 300 small-group tours every year in the UK, continental Europe, North Africa, the Middle East, Central Asia, India, China, Japan, the Americas and Australasia.

All aspects of our cultural tours have been carefully researched, tried and arranged by members of MRT staff, including the most authentic restaurants and comfortable hotels. There are no hidden extras. The price covers nearly everything, including wine with meals and all tips. We do not levy surcharges for fuel or for any other reason.

Martin Randall Travel has won numerous awards, most recently *Best Special Interest Holiday Company* (2018) at the British Travel Awards.