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Dordogne
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Castle of Castelnau
### 9 Day Itinerary

1. Depart home city
2. Bordeaux, France/Sarlat-la-Canéda
3. Sarlat-la-Canéda
4. Rocamadour/Souillac
5. Eyrignac Gardens/Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil/L’Abri du Cap-Blanc
6. Lascaux/Saint-Amand-de-Coly
7. Rouffignac/La Madeleine
8. Beynac/Domme
9. Sarlat-la-Canéda/Bordeaux/Return to home city

**Highlights include:**

- View the acclaimed simulations of Lascaux’s prehistoric art cave at the International Center for Cave Art at Lascaux.
- Meet locals and learn about daily life in Sarlat-la-Canéda during the Village Life® forum.
- Embark on a private cruise along the Dordogne River, with lunch in the charming village of Beynac.
- Enjoy a local wine and cheese tasting at a Sarlat épicerie gourmet and specially arranged meals highlighting the distinctive flavors of the region.
Washington University Alumni and Friends:  
Be part of a wonderful group—on a remarkable journey! 
Join Washington University alumni and friends on a trip of a lifetime: Autumn in Provence, a unique opportunity to experience provincial Dordogne, still referred to by locals as Périgord Noir. Here, castles tell the story of a different time alongside the region’s extraordinary cave paintings more than 17,000 years old. Dordogne offers centuries-old rituals, epicurean traditions, and archaeological treasures that are preserved within a breathtaking landscape of hills, rivers, limestone gorges, and forests.

What’s So Special About Traveling with Washington University?  
Just about everything! 
First and foremost, you’ll enjoy traveling with a wonderful group of alumni and friends who share your love of learning through travel. Whether exploring the ancient pilgrimage site of Rocamadour, the archaeological treasures of L’Aïr du Cap-Blanc, Rouffignac, and Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil, or the prehistoric troglodyte village of La Madeleine, you’ll find camaraderie and a contagious spirit of adventure. In selecting this itinerary our Alumni Travel Committee also knew how much our group members would appreciate the luxury of the restored 19th century townhouse, the PLAZA MADELEINE HÔTEL.

Do you have to be an alum to join a Washington University Travel Program trip? 
Alumni, parents, friends—and their friends—are all welcome. The travel experience is made even more special when shared with others who love learning through travel. So sign up today—on your own or with a friend—either way you’ll enjoy an unforgettable travel experience!

Don’t Wait: Space is limited, and our $1,200 (per couple) extended booking discount offer is only valid until September 21, 2023!

Susan Cohen  
Associative Vice Chancellor  
Alumni & Constituent Engagement

P.S. The Washington University Alumni Association strongly recommends that you purchase travel insurance for every trip on which you plan to embark. Unforeseen circumstances may cause you to cancel your trip at the last minute, and travel insurance will help to ensure that your fees are refunded. Washington University does not offer its own travel insurance, but Gohagan & Company recommends a policy you may purchase.
Program Highlights

You will find the greatest concentration of prehistoric art sites anywhere in the world in the enchanting département of Dordogne. Limestone caves and rocky overhangs provided Ice Age humans with not only shelter, but also a vast canvas for extraordinary paintings. In Lascaux and Rouffignac—the two most well-known caves and both UNESCO World Heritage Sites—extinct aurochs, wild stallion, and antelopes that were painted over 17,000 years ago still prance, preen, and gallop before your eyes. The original Lascaux cave has been closed to the public since 1963 for preservation purposes; however, the incredible replica in the International Centre for Cave Art at Lascaux allows you to experience these iconic cave paintings interactively, providing a realistic, stimulating representation of the exuberant colors that have faded in the original cave.

Rouffignac offers up-close views of over 250 deft prehistoric drawings and paintings that cover a gallery of cavernous walls and ceilings, including the famous friezes of two bison ready to engage each other in battle and 10 mammoths in procession—one of the largest cave paintings ever discovered.

Near the village of Les Eyzies, visit the original Cro-Magnon rock shelter and UNESCO World Heritage Site of L’Abri de Cap-Blanc, showcasing the rare, life-size frieze of horses and bison sculpted in limestone. An expert-guided tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies helps put this vast network of prehistoric art into context.
Day by Day Itinerary

Depart Home City
Day 1
Bordeaux, France/Sarlat-la-Canéda
Day 2
Arrive in Bordeaux and transfer to Sarlat-la-Canéda. Check into the Plaza Madeline Hôtel.

Sarlat-la-Canéda
Day 3
Your charming “village home” is in the pre-French Revolution capital of Périgord Noir, that is a bon vivant’s dream. Stroll through cobblestone streets illuminated by gas lamps and lined with Renaissance-style stone houses. The cultural heart of Sarlat is the Place de la Liberté, where every Wednesday and Saturday one of France’s most storied markets is held, a tradition dating from the Middle Ages.

Rocamadour/Souillac
Day 4
The UNESCO World Heritage-designated Rocamadour has one of the most dramatic settings of any village in the world. During the Middle Ages, pilgrims flocked here from across Europe to perform penance by ascending the 216 steps of Le Grand Escalier on their knees—seeking miracles from the sacred 12th-century statue of the Black Virgin and Child at the crypt of Saint Amadour. Embedded in the cliff above the doorway to the Chapelle de Notre Dame is a sword said to be that of the heroic knight Roland. Nearby, visit the quaint town of Souillac and its 12th-century Abbaye Sainte-Marie.

Eyrignac Gardens/Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil/L’Abri du Cap-Blanc
Day 5
The Eyrignac Manor has been the continuous family residence of 22 generations spanning over 500 years. On this 17th-century estate located just outside of Sarlat, view what many consider the finest gardens in France. Enjoy a guided tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies and see L’Abri du Cap-Blanc’s UNESCO-designated prehistoric cave friezes. In Sarlat this evening, meet dordognais in the Village Life ® forum.

Lascaux/Saint-Amand-de-Coly
Day 6
In 1940, a quartet of schoolboys stumbled onto the Lascaux cave, a repository of the most stunning works of prehistoric art and today a UNESCO World Heritage Site. See a perfect reproduction in the International Center for Cave Art at Lascaux. Continue to the petite village of Saint-Amand-de-Coly, officially designated as one of the “most beautiful villages” in France and dominated by the 13th-century abbey church, and then sample regional cheese and wine in a specialty épicerie in Sarlat.

Rouffignac/La Madeleine
Day 7
Start your day at Sarlat’s market, a twice-weekly medieval tradition in the heart of the village, and attend a presentation in the hotel by a local expert on preserving the village’s medieval architecture. Visit Rouffignac, “Cave of a Hundred Mammoths,” known for its extraordinary Great Ceiling decorated with beautifully rendered friezes of woolly rhinoceroses.
and mammoth engravings at an enormous scale. Enjoy a private, 19th-century French folk music and dance performance after a three-course dinner in La Madeleine.

**Beynac/Domme Day 8**
Traverse an elaborate series of stone walls, parapet walks, watchtowers, and passageways at the fortified Château de Beynac. Cruise the Dordogne River aboard a private 19th-century gabare, followed by lunch in a local restaurant.
Continue to visit Domme, an authentic medieval fortified village. Enter through its original ramparts and see graffiti etched by the Knights Templar on the inner village walls.

**Sarlat-la-Canéda/ Bordeaux/Return to Home City Day 9**
Continue on to the Albi and Toulouse Post-Program Option or transfer to Bordeaux for your return flight.

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Plaza Madeleine Hôtel

Enjoy the traditional pace of Village Life® during your stay in the family-owned Plaza Madeleine Hôtel – located just beyond the ancient walls of Sarlat-la-Canéda’s medieval quarter, a short walk from the village center. A grand 19th-century townhouse, this historical hôtel de charme marries traditional features with French esprit contemporain.

Each of the 39 stylish, air-conditioned guest rooms have been renovated or upgraded and feature two twin beds or one queen bed, private bathroom, individual climate control, satellite television, phone, Wi-Fi access, safe, minibar, and hair dryer.

The hotel dining room, where continental breakfast is served daily—featuring freshly baked breads, pastries, and charcuterie—is reserved for the exclusive use of hotel guests. There is a brasserie pub with lounge and private terrace, a petit lounge with computer facilities and internet access, a heated outdoor swimming pool, solarium, and spa with a Jacuzzi and sauna. The dedicated hotel staff is pleased to provide attentive service.

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Singles are available upon request for an additional $1,000 from Early Booking Savings price.

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Pre-Program Option

Bordeaux and Saint-Émilion
October 3 to 6, 2023

Start your trip with two nights in the Bordeaux region, long distinguished as the wine capital of the world. Visit a château in the nearby Médoc region to taste grand cru classé wines. Tucked away in the heart of the rolling countryside and endless vineyards, visit the charming village of Saint-Émilion, a UNESCO World Heritage Site famous for growing the merlot grape and for its medieval Église Monolithe, one of the largest underground churches in Europe. Accommodations are in the deluxe HÔTEL DE SÈZE in the heart of Bordeaux.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: $895
Price per person, based on single occupancy: $1,395

Post-Program Option

Albi and Toulouse
October 13 to 17, 2023

Conclude your tour with a four-night extension featuring Albi, Carcassonne, Toulouse, and three UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Sample Gaillac wines in a lovely château; explore cherished cathedrals and old-world villages, equal parts storied and spectacular; enjoy the bucolic scenery of the French countryside; and admire the largest collection of Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec works. Walk the gothic streets of Coedes sur Ciel and tour UNESCO-inscribed Carcassonne. Spend two nights each in the HOTEL MERCURE ALBI BASTIDES and the GRAND HÔTEL DE L’OPÉRA in Toulouse.

Price per person, based on double occupancy: $1,545
Price per person, based on single occupancy: $1,895

Further details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.
Reservation Form

Send to: Gohagan & Company
209 South LaSalle Street, Suite 500
Chicago, Illinois 60604-1446

You may also phone the Alumni Association for information at (314) 935-7378 or (866) WUTRIPS.

If you have questions regarding tour logistics, please call Gohagan & Company at (800) 922-3088 and ask for the Passenger Care Advocate for this tour.

Please make my/our reservation(s):

- Double (two twin beds).
- Double (one queen bed).
- Single accommodations.
- Single but prefer to share and will allow you to select my roommate (shares cannot be guaranteed).

**Bordeaux and Saint Émilion Pre-Program Option**
October 3 to 6, 2023

- Double $895 per person.
- Single $1,395 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

**Albi and Toulouse Post-Program Option**
October 13 to 17, 2023

- Double $1,545 per person.
- Single $1,895 per person.
- I am reserving as a single but prefer to share accommodations.

- I/We want you to book my/our air from:

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  (fill in departure city)

- I/We will make my/our own air arrangements.

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Program reservations require a deposit of $800 per person.

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  - Visa

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FINAL PAYMENT due July 2, 2023; make by check, ACH, or credit card.
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