Experience the provincial character of Dordogne for one full week in Sarlat-la-Canéda, one of the most beautiful and well-preserved medieval villages in France. Stay in the family-owned HÔTEL PLAZA MADELINE, formerly a grand 19th-century townhouse. Discover the region’s charming villages, medieval castles and prehistoric treasures through specially arranged excursions and cultural enrichments—the medieval pilgrimage site of Rocamadour and the fascinating prehistoric cave paintings of Rouffignac and Cap Blanc, all part of UNESCO’s World Heritage list; a performance of French folk music and dance; Sarlat’s famous open-air market; the English-style Gardens of Eyrignac; a specially arranged gabare cruise on the Dordogne River; and the exclusive Village Life® Forum with local residents who will share candid insights into daily life in Dordogne. Complement your exploration of France’s rich culture with the Bordeaux Pre-Program Option, featuring the world-famous wine region of St-Émilion, and the Albi and Toulouse Post-Program Option, visiting the storybook medieval towns of the South of France.

Itinerary*

Sarlat-la-Canéda • Rocamadour • Lascaux • Cap Blanc

October 8 to 16, 2020

Day
1  Depart the U.S.
2  Bordeaux, France/Sarlat-la-Canéda
3  Sarlat-la-Canéda
4  Rocamadour/Souillac
5  Les Eyzies/L’Abri du Cap-Blanc
6  Lascaux/St-Amand-de-Coly
7  Rouffignac/La Madeleine
8  Beynac/Domme
9  Sarlat-la-Canéda/Bordeaux/Return to the U.S.
DORDOGNE

INCLUDED FEATURES*

IN SARLAT-LA-CANÉDA
• Seven nights in the charming, family-owned Hôtel Plaza Madeleine.
• Private Welcome Reception in the hotel.
• Breakfast each morning, one lunch and two dinners in the hotel.
• Two dinners, each in a specially selected traditional French bistro featuring French country table d’hôte menus and regional specialties.
• Complimentary regional wine is served with each included dinner.
• Complimentary Wi-Fi.

EXPERT-GUIDED EXCURSIONS AND EXCLUSIVE CULTURAL ENRICHMENTS
• Architectural walking tour of Sarlat-la-Canéda.
• Visit to Souillac’s Abbaye Marie to admire the magnificent Romanesque sculptures.
• Visit to the lush, impeccably maintained 19th-century Jardins d’Eyrignac.
• Visit to medieval village and fortified church of Saint-Amand-de-Coly.
• Tour of the medieval Château de Beynac.
• Walking tour of Domme, with spectacular views of the Dordogne River Valley.
• Tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil.
• Specially arranged Village Life® Forum with local residents who will discuss contemporary daily life in the provincial Dordogne département.
• A lecture on architectural preservation in Sarlat-la-Canéda by a local historian.
• Private, specially arranged gabare cruise along the Dordogne River, with lunch in the village of Beynac-et-Cazenac.
• Local wine and cheese tasting at a Sarlat épicerie gourmet.
• Specially arranged meals highlighting the distinctive flavors of the region.
• Private 19th-century Périgord cultural folk performance.
• French language introduction.

UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE SITE HIGHLIGHTS
• Full-day excursion to 13th-century Rocamadour.
• Visit to the impressive Rouffignac Cave.
• Excursion to see the cave friezes of L’Abri du Cap-Blanc.
• Viewing of the prehistoric cave art of Lascaux.
• Visit to the prehistoric troglodyte village of La Madeleine.

ALWAYS INCLUDED
• Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
• Experienced, English-speaking local guides for all included excursions.
• Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
• Complimentary bottled water provided on motorcoaches during excursions.
• Hospitality desk in the hotel.
• Experienced Gohagan & Company Program Director at your service.
• Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.
• Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

BORDEAUX • SAINT-ÉMILION PRE-PROGRAM OPTION*

ALBI • TOULOUSE POST-PROGRAM OPTION*

*The Travel Program outlined here is subject to the final Itinerary, Included Features, Pre-Program and Post-Program Options, pricing and terms and conditions as set forth in the final printed 2020 Village Life® Dordogne brochure. Upon your receipt of the corresponding printed brochure, you will be asked to reconfirm your reservations(s).