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Spotlight on the French Riviera

with Optional 3-Night Paris Post Tour Extension

September 4 – 12, 2025



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9 Days • 12 Meals: 7 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, 3 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... Nice, Food Tour & Tasting, Nice Flower Market, Monaco, Monte Carlo, Choice on Tour: Monte Carlo Panoramic Tour or Monaco's Oceanographic Museum, Grasse, Fragonard Perfumery Workshop, Cannes, Wine Tasting, Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild, St. Paul de Vence

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 8	Radisson Blu Hotel Nice, Nice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Day 1: Thursday, September 4, 2025 Overnight Flight It's time to live the good life and embark on a getaway to the fabulous French Riviera, or *Côte d'Azur*. With its elegant coastal resorts, superb eateries, chic boutiques, and captivating museums, it's the ultimate sunny retreat for the elite. Unpack your bags just once and stay at a single hotel for your entire adventure, which begins with an overnight flight to France.

Day 2: Friday, September 5, 2025 Nice (French Riviera), France - Tour Begins Your tour commences in the stunning city of Nice, a coastal pearl of the Mediterranean known for its legendary opulence and balmy beaches. With an average of 300 sunny days per year, Nice is a seaside paradise. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a welcome dinner in *Vieux Nice* featuring Mediterranean-inspired French cuisine. (D)

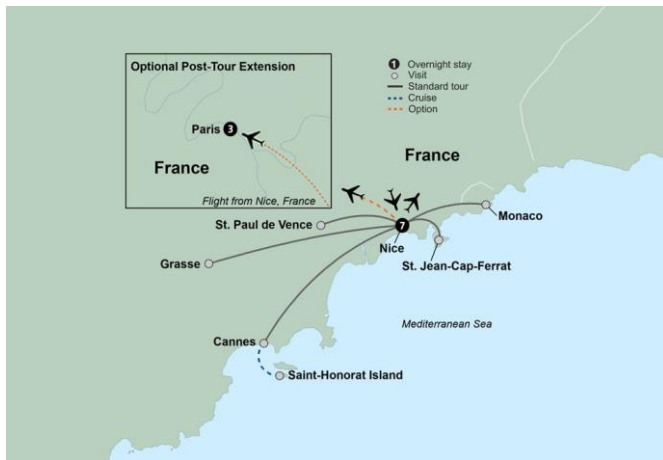
Day 3: Saturday, September 6, 2025 Nice Step into the shoes of a local and navigate the *tram* this morning. Get familiar with the routes and use it to your advantage during some free time. With a local expert, discover Nice by meandering through the city's famed and colorful flower market. Then, delve into the Old Town, sampling local delicacies while on a tasting tour. The rest of the day is yours. Perhaps you'll return to your hotel and stroll along the lively seafront *Promenade des Anglais*. You may even stay downtown and visit one of Nice's world-class art galleries, such as the Chagall or the Matisse museums. Maybe you'll find your favorite café for the week and soak in the local life. (B, L)

Day 4: Sunday, September 7, 2025 Nice - Monaco - Monte Carlo - Nice Travel along the spectacular *Corniche* coastal road to the Principality of Monaco. On a walking tour, view the changing of the guards and visit the Cathedral of Monaco – the permanent resting place of Prince Rainier III and Princess Grace. Then **it's your choice!** Explore the tiny country on a panoramic Little Train tour* taking you across to Monte Carlo for views of its famous casino **-OR-** visit the Oceanographic Museum, perusing its aquarium and the collection of fossils and skeletons amassed by the great researcher Jacques Cousteau. (B)

Day 5: Monday, September 8, 2025 Nice - Grasse - Nice Today, learn the secrets of perfume making during a hands-on workshop and tour of the Fragonard perfumery, where fragrant formulations have been prepared since 1782. Spend time soaking up the atmosphere of this charming *Provençal* hill town before returning to Nice for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 6: Tuesday, September 9, 2025 Nice - Cannes - Nice Journey to Cannes and sail** across the Bay of Cannes to the tiny island of Saint-Honorat, belonging to the monks of Lérins Abbey. Pause to taste the locally produced wine before returning to Cannes to perhaps rub elbows with Europe's elite. Walk in the footsteps of celebrities when you see the Film Festival Palace and the iconic red carpet featured during the Cannes Film Festival. During free time, explore the cobbled lanes of the *Le Suquet* neighborhood or the lively Forville farmers' market. Back in Nice this evening, savor a tasting menu highlighting the delights of the South of France. (B, D)

Day 7: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 Nice - Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat - Nice Head to Saint-Jean-Cap-Ferrat, referred to as the crown jewel of the French Riviera, where you'll visit the



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Included in Price: Round Trip Air from Des Moines Municipal Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers

Not included in price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$549 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from DSM

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• * Elite Air pricing (Premium Economy, Business Class or First class) is valid until 8 months prior to departure, after which rates are subject to change and will be quoted based upon availability.

† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is guaranteed once deposit is received and booking confirmed by Collette. Your price is not subject to increase after the deposit is received and booking confirmed, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. **(See registration form for consent.)**

impressive Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild. Uncover the lush gardens replete with jaw-dropping views of the Mediterranean Sea. Your visit to the villa is complete with lunch served in the charming tearoom overlooking the Bay of Villefranche. Back in Nice, enjoy free time to relax and take in the laid-back atmosphere along the Riviera. Perhaps you'll join an optional excursion that takes you to the Italian French village of Menton, and after working up an appetite, to savor a peaceful dinner in the medieval village of Èze. *(B, L)*

Day 8: Thursday, September 11, 2025 Nice - St. Paul de Vence - Nice This morning, venture to historic St. Paul de Vence, situated atop a hill overlooking the beautiful countryside of Provence. Explore this walled medieval village, soaking in its distinctive light, said to have inspired Matisse, Braque, Chagall, and other artists. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip. *(B, D)*

Day 9: Friday, September 12, 2025 Nice - Tour Ends Depart for home with many wonderful memories of your journey through the *Cote d'Azur*. *(B)*

Experience It! Nice Flower Market

In the heart of Vieux Nice (Old Town), amongst old-world boutiques and petite cafés, you'll find the vibrant Nice Flower Market. This bustling market is located on Cours Saleya, the famous promenade in the old city. This favorite daily (except on Monday) stopover for locals and tourists alike features much more than flowers. Vendors tout an array of produce, flowers and various other delicacies. It is a feast for the senses; take in the fragrant aroma of fresh-cut flowers, sample seasonal fruits and fresh baked breads; be dazzled by the bountiful colorful displays; sip and savor a hot cappuccino; take a moment to pause and chat with the locals, or simply listen to the romantic sounds of the French language being spoken all around you.

EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH

Optional 4 Days 3-Night Paris Post Tour Extension

Per Person Rates: \$1,899.00 USD double, \$2,399.00 USD single, land & air inclusive

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit
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PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Mar 05, 2025, valid on air inclusive packages only. The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (2-3 hours) isn't a big deal. A moderately paced two-and-a-half-hour walking tour, covering several miles, hills, and uneven surfaces, is no problem for you. Walking four miles over the course of a day is very doable, as is climbing into and out of various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, zodiac, etc.). You can climb three flights of stairs easily and handle altitudes between 6,000 and 9,000 feet. Expect some longer days with early mornings or late nights balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. This level is not a fit for travelers who require mobility assistance devices. In particular, your visits of Monaco, the Gardens of Villa Rothschild and St. Paul de Vence village involve negotiating some steep inclines over cobblestones, gravel or multiple flights of steps. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motor coaches, especially in historic areas such as the Old Town of Nice, Monaco, Saint-Honorat Island and St. Paul de Vence. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes. If you require a walker or wheelchair, or have difficulty walking, you may not be able to access some of these areas and may want to consider an alternate program with us. Our Client Care Agents can provide additional information or assistance to help you determine the perfect trip for you.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

*The Little Train tour operates from February to mid-November. In the other months, travelers selecting this choice will transfer to the Monte Carlo district by public bus.

**The Saint-Honorat Island cruise operates weather permitting, is dependent on sea conditions, and is only available from April to October. Tours from November through the end of March will visit an alternate winery.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

To complete your tour, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.



IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Effective for travel in May 2025, all visitors who do not need a visa to enter Europe will be expected to apply for an ETIAS visa waiver, for a fee, when visiting a Schengen Area Country. To identify Schengen Area Countries and to complete the ETIAS application, please visit <https://www.etiasvisa.com/>

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of February 26, 2025 are based upon availability. Final payment due by June 06, 2025. Deposits are refundable up until March 05, 2025.

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BOOKING NUMBER: 1261971
DEPARTURE DATE: September 4, 2025

TOUR: Spotlight on the French Riviera
GROUP NAME: Des Moines Area Community College Foundation

Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Eze Village

Refreshing Menton and a Taste of Eze

\$90 USD

Discover Menton, considered to be one of the most beautiful corners of the county. History stands still and can be seen in the French Riviera's shuttered villas, terracotta roofs, dreamy beaches, and vast lemon gardens. Due to its proximity to Italy, Menton is unique in the way that it can sometimes feel more Italian than French. A fascinating site for those searching for blended culture. Venture into the hilltop of the medieval village of Eze to enjoy the view before savoring a local dinner. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 12 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

PASSENGERS NAME: (Please submit a separate form for each passenger)

Salutation: _____ First: _____ Middle: _____ Last: _____ Suffix: _____ Nickname: _____
(Mr., Mrs., Rev.) (Please print **EXACTLY** as it appears on Passport) (Jr., Sr.)

✓	Option	Price Per Person (USD)
✓	Refreshing Menton and a Taste of Eze	90.00

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Optional 4 Days 3-Night Paris Post Tour Extension

Per Person Rates: \$1,899.00 USD double, \$2,399.00 USD single, land & air inclusive
3 Meals: 3 Breakfasts

Day 9: Nice (French Riviera) - Paris

Head to the airport for your flight to the French capital. In under two hours, you'll be in Paris, the "City of Light." Depending on your flight arrival time, you may get a chance to explore your hotel's neighborhood with your Tour Manager. Later, join your local expert to take *Le Métro* (the city's famed underground transport system) and explore the Notre Dame Cathedral neighborhood. Enjoy the rest of the evening at leisure.

Day 10: Paris

This morning, join your local expert and head back to *Le Métro* to get to the hip neighborhood of Montmartre. Blending artistic roots and quirky modernity, the 18th *arrondissement* is home to classical painters and cultural provocateurs. After trying a local café, take advantage of free time this afternoon to explore on your own. Perhaps you'll browse the shops of the *Opéra* district, where you'll have time to peruse luxury Parisian retailers, or take a stroll down the Champs-Élysées. As your day comes to a close, make the most of an evening at leisure. If you'd prefer to do something with the group, you can join an optional dinner at the Paradis Latin* for a can-can kicking, music-driven night at the cabaret. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 11: Paris

It's your last day in Paris – how will you spend it? Perhaps you'll explore *Le Marais*, a trendy district with winding streets, gorgeous old mansions, and independent boutiques, or meander through Place des Vosges, the oldest planned town square in all of Paris. You can also choose to join an optional visit to the Suresnes American Cemetery in Paris, a memorial and resting place of more than 1,500 American servicemen and women from both world wars. This evening, take in an exclusive view of Paris from the Montparnasse Tower. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 12: Paris - Extension Ends

Wish Paris *au revoir* as your tour comes to an end. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Please Note:

The overall activity level of this extension is a level 4. This means you can handle longer walking tours (more than 3 hours and 3+ miles), traversing dusty or uneven terrain, standing for periods of time, varying altitudes and temperatures, and don't mind being on the go with some early starts, late-night experiences, and full days. You can handle altitudes above 9,000 feet/2,743 meters. Unfortunately, this level is not appropriate for individuals who use wheelchairs, walkers and other mobility assistance devices.

This is a **Fully Guided** extension, perfect for travelers who want the complete experience of a new destination and local expertise. Travelers will have a dedicated guide throughout this entire extension. Experience all the inclusions of a Collette tour, such as overnight accommodations, airport transportation (to and from), daily breakfast, some lunches and dinners, sightseeing, and local experiences, all led by a Tour Manager or local expert.

Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 7 passengers is not met to operate.

If you require any special assistance while on tour, please make us aware at time of reservation so the necessary request form can be sent to your attention.

Using the Paris underground system requires the ability to negotiate 2 to 3 flights of stairs and agility to step on and off moving escalators. Seating is not guaranteed in the Métro, as it's available on a first come, first served basis. In case seats are not available, the ability to stand in a moving vehicle is required (handrails are available). Most underground stations are not wheelchair accessible.

*Paradis Latin may be considered unsuitable for children - consult your Tour Manager.

If you intend to visit well-known tourist sites of Paris, like The Louvre Museum or the Eiffel Tower, we recommend that you purchase tickets a few months ahead.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Single rate subject to change based on availability.

Due to fair periods in Paris, the rate of this extension may be higher on certain dates. Please inquire about rates and availability at time of booking.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.

Air inclusive rate is valid for guests who have purchased our air package for the full tour, depending on the air schedule selected. Rate may vary for those who have purchased their own air.