

Paris and the French Riviera

From \$1,699 per person // 11 days



Enjoy the highlights of one of the world's great cities before being whisked south on a high speed TGV service, to the French Riviera, where the glittering waters of the Mediterranean await.

The Essentials

- Three days in the heart of Paris
- Travel through France on an iconic TGV train
- Explore the glamorous towns of Nice and Cannes
- Take a day trip along the coast to the tiny Principality of Monaco and Monte Carlo

Tailor make your holiday

- Add extra nights & destinations
- Choose alternative hotels
- Upgrade your journey to First Class
- Let us suggest the most scenic routes

What's included

- Standard Class rail travel with seat reservations
- 10 nights' handpicked hotel accommodation with breakfast
- City maps, and comprehensive directions to your hotels
- Clearly-presented wallets for your rail tickets, hotel vouchers and other documentation
- All credit card surcharges and complimentary delivery of your travel documents

- Suggested Itinerary -



Days 1, 2 & 3 - Paris

Long-associated with romance, food and fashion, the French capital remains one of the world's premiere destinations. From your base at the Mercure Montmartre Sacre Coeur (or similar), you will have plenty of time to see the famous highlights – the Eiffel Tower, Arc du Triomphe, and the Louvre, as well as exploring some more offbeat destinations which will be less busy. Why not take a guided tour of the city's catacombs or go for a walk along the beautiful Coulée Verte? However you spend your days, you will be spoilt for choice come dinner time when cafés and restaurants spill out onto the streets, serving delicious French cuisine, fine wines and offering the perfect opportunity for people watching.



Day 4 - Paris To Nice

Following breakfast at your hotel, take the metro to Gare de Lyon where one of the iconic TGV fleet will be waiting to take you south. The French countryside will blur past your window as the train gets up to full speed and you will arrive into the chic, seaside city of Nice in the late afternoon. Make your way to the Excelsior Hotel (or similar), where you have a 4-night stay. ? The rest of the day is yours to enjoy the charms of this Mediterranean city. Why not take a stroll to the seafront and Nice's pebbled beaches before finding somewhere with a sea view for dinner?



Days 5, 6 & 7 - Nice

The French Riviera is famous for its weather, beaches and the superstars of sport and screen attracted by the climate. Nice is the area's largest town and whether you want to soak up the sun, explore the beautiful and fragrant flower market in the Old Town, or indulge in Nice's thriving café culture, it won't take you long to realise why so many of the world's rich and famous have chosen to make it home. DAY TRIP TO MONTE CARLO The tiny principality of Monaco is a short train ride away from Nice and on one of your free days, you have tickets to visit at your leisure. Explore the streets which have been made famous by Formula 1 drivers or just wander along by the many fabulous yachts anchored in the city state's port.



Days 8, 9 & 10 - Cannes

A short train ride takes you to Cannes, where you check in at the Hotel Splendid (or similar) for a 3-night stay. ?Cannes is another stunning Riviera town, complete with beautiful beaches, a port stuffed to the gills with jaw-dropping yachts, and wonderful seafood restaurants in which you can indulge. You might want to spend a day strolling La Croisette with the town's stylish residents but if you fancy a change of pace, why not visit the Island of Saint-Honorat where a large abbey continues to provide a peaceful home for a community of Cistercian monks?



Day 11 - Depart Cannes

After a final breakfast at your hotel, it is time to leave the Riviera. You might want to head back to Paris or instead travel further west, towards the beautiful historic towns of Nimes and Avignon. If you want to extend your trip in France, or explore more of Europe by rail, our team would be happy to help.

Pricing

From \$1,699 per person

Low season (November-March) from \$1,699pp

High season (April-October) from \$2,149pp

These prices are based on two people sharing a twin or double room. Single supplements will apply for sole occupancy. It is based on First Class rail travel and includes seat reservations as necessary. It is based on the best fares on the trains. If you travel during a peak period, particularly at short notice, then supplements may apply.