



SIUE Adult Education presents

April in Paris: Food, Art & Culture

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Experience the cuisine, culture and charm of France during five relaxed days in Paris. Visit the French capital and surrounding area with experienced guides and feel free to explore on your own. Savor the beauty of Paris, all arrangements made, and during your built-in leisure time, indulge your senses with the sights and flavors of the City of Light.



Dr. Debbie Mann, Professor of French at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, has enjoyed over forty years of travels to France as a student, exchange instructor, and study abroad leader, as well as

numerous family trips. She is thrilled to have the opportunity to share her knowledge and love of France and the French language with the April in Paris tour group.

Eboni Buckels is the Community Coordinator in the Office of Educational Outreach at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville. Eboni has a passion for programming and coordinating memorable events that are not only exciting, but also encourage a lifetime of learning. Currently, Eboni is the Coordinator of SIUE Lifelong Learning Speaker Series, Library Speaker Series, and Office of Educational Outreach Summer Tours.



Key: IF = In Flight Meals, B= Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

Day 1: Sunday, April 19, 2020: Departure

We will depart from St. Louis on our overnight flights to Paris, France. (IF)

Day 2: Monday, April 20, 2020: Arrival, Giverny, Paris

When we land in Paris, we will meet our tour director who will welcome us to France and escort us to our waiting air-conditioned bus. On the way to Paris, we will travel to the delightful village of Giverny, with free time for lunch. In the afternoon, we will tour Monet's home and gardens in Giverny, where the artist and gardener



lived for over 40 years. We will see his colorful home, his studio-sitting room, and his collection of Japanese prints. His extensive gardens include the famous Water Garden, planted with oriental vegetation, waterlilies, and weeping willows. We will continue our journey into Paris and check in to our hotel. We will end our arrival day with a delicious group meal. (B/D)



Day 3: Tuesday, April 21, 2020: Louvre, Montmartre, Eiffel Tower

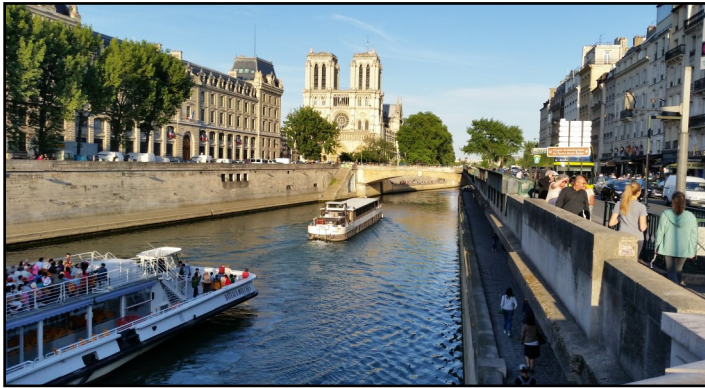
No visit to Paris is complete without a tour of the stunning art in the Louvre. Our guide will give us a tour of the highlights of the world's largest art museum, including seeing the Mona Lisa. We will board the bus and have an orientation tour of Paris, ending



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in the historic district of Montmartre. We will have free time to explore the area, which includes Sacre-Coeur, many cafes and art studios. The Eiffel Tower was built for the 1889 World Exposition and still attracts close to seven million visitors a year. We will go up to the 2nd floor for magnificent views of the city. We will then board a boat for a round-trip cruise on the Seine to see famous landmarks from the water. **(B)**



Day 4: Wednesday, April 22, 2020: Cooking Class, Concert

Today we will have an in-depth food experience with Le Foodist, a specialist cooking school, to experience the food and culture of France in a fun and delicious way. After coffee and croissants, we will visit the local market to purchase fresh ingredients. The hands-on cooking class will end with a delicious 3-course lunch. The chef will share stories about French culture and wine and we'll come away with recipes and classically French culinary techniques.



The afternoon will be at leisure with an optional walk through the Jardin du Luxembourg. We will attend a classical music concert this evening in the spectacular Sainte-Chapelle chapel. **(B/L)**



Day 5: Thursday, April 23, 2020: Optional Tours

Today is set aside for us to explore Paris according to our own interests. We will have a variety of options to choose from including a Fashion Walk, an In-Depth Art Tour, Shopping, Museums, a Secret Food Tour, or a day-trip to Disney. **(B)**



Day 6: Friday, April 24, 2020: Versailles

We will travel by bus to the Royal Palace of Versailles, which has origins dating back to the seventeenth century. Our guided tour will include the Hall of Mirrors, the Grand Trianon, and the magnificent gardens. We will return to Paris in the afternoon and the rest of the day will be at leisure. Our farewell meal will be in a traditional Parisian restaurant. **(B/D)**

Day 7: Saturday, April 25, 2020: Return

We will transfer to Charles de Gaulle Airport for our return flights to St. Louis. **(B/IF)**

Please note that the itinerary is subject to slight changes

REB20 Tour Price: \$2,975* per person

Land and air cost from St. Louis is \$4,199

**Price based on double occupancy with a minimum of 20 participants*

Your Tour Includes:

- Land Transportation: via deluxe air-conditioned motor coaches
- Professional tour director
- Local expert guides
- Meals as indicated in the itinerary
- Admission to all activities indicated in the itinerary
- All transfers, as a group
- All taxes and tips
- Post-departure travel insurance (Upgrade available)

Your Tour Does Not Include:

- Round trip flights from St. Louis (currently \$1,250 round trip)
- Meals and beverages not indicated in the itinerary
- Supplement for single occupancy (\$700)
- Items of a personal nature, such as passport and visa fees (*Passport must be valid for six months beyond return date*)

Payment Schedule:

- Deposit of \$350 will secure your place on the tour. All payments should be sent to Reformation Tours, P.O. Box 854, Belleville, IL 62222
- Final invoices will be sent in January 2020
- Final payments will be due no later than February 4, 2020
- Reservations will be accepted after February 4, 2020 subject to availability
- Early registration is encouraged. *Please note: all credit card payments will incur a 3.5% surcharge*

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