Paris, France 2014: OPTIONAL SIGHTSEEING

Sunday, Nov. 2: Depart Washington for our overnight flight to Paris.

Monday, Nov. 3: Upon arrival in Paris we will be transferred to our hotel.

**Paris Pass – Explore on your Own**

Discover the joy of sightseeing with the Paris Pass, which gives you free entry to the best attractions Paris has to offer. Save time as you skip the queues with fast track entry at many attractions, including the Louvre and Musée d’Orsay, and take advantage of special offers at various Paris restaurants and shops. **Inclusions:** Free map of Paris; Free entry to over 60 sights and attractions; Free use of public transport within Paris Zones 1 - 3 (Metro and public buses) for the validity of your pass

**Cost** - 2-day-$161.00 / 4-day - $239.00 / 6-day - $290.00

**Big Bus Hop On Hop Off Pass – Explore on your Own**

There’s no better way to see all of Paris’ top sights than by an open-top Big Bus. Choose a 1-day or 2-day pass, and create your own sightseeing itinerary to discover Paris at your own pace. Sit back and relax on the full loop, which takes 2 hours and 20 minutes, while listening to entertaining and informative audio commentary about Paris’ history, architecture, monuments, museums and more. If you want to explore by foot, hop off at any of the 10 stops around the city. Buses depart regularly from each stop, so you can hop back on wherever, and whenever, you like. Upgrade your 1-day or 2-day hop-on hop-off sightseeing pass with a relaxing 1-hour boat cruise along the Seine! Tickets are valid for consecutive days from time of first use.

**Cost** - 1-day-$40.00 / 2-day - $46.00 / Seine Boat ride - Add $13.00 (must be in conjunction with pass)

Tuesday, Nov. 4:

**Paris Gourmet French Food Walking Tour** (afternoon – on own to get to and from tour start/end point)

There's no need to consider calories when you combine gourmet French food with a three-hour walking tour! Your small group tour is led by an expert food connoisseur, who will take you through a number of Paris neighborhoods to visit a French bakery, pastry shop, French caterer, wine shop, cheese shop, fruit and vegetable shop and market. Tastings of foie gras, cheese, bread, a seasonal specialty and a glass of wine on this Latin Quarter tour

**Cost:** $124.00

**Paris Chocolate and Pastry Walking Tour** (afternoon – on own to get to and from tour start/end point)

Combine your love of chocolate and cakes with your passion for Paris! The Paris Chocolate and Pastry Food Tour combines French gourmet specialties with an afternoon walking tour so you won't need to feel too guilty. Numbers are limited to a maximum of 8 people on this small group tour, ensuring you'll receive personalized attention from your guide. Your tour is led by an expert food connoisseur, who will take you through a number of Paris neighborhoods to visit at least three pastry shops, a bakery and three chocolate shops.

**Cost:** $124.00
Tuesday, Nov. 4: (Continued)

**Paris Illuminations Night Tour** (evening)

There's nothing quite like Paris at night! On this illuminations tour, you'll watch Paris transform into the City of Lights as you ride past the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, the Louvre, the Champs-Elysées, l’Arc de Triomphe, Hôtel de Ville, Les Invalides, Place de la Concorde, Place Vendôme, Opéra and more. Learn about Paris' rich history along the way.

**Cost:** $86.00

Wednesday, Nov. 5:

**Versailles** (Full day-Escorted)

Enjoy a full day at Versailles, home to Louis 14th, the "Sun King". You will discover Versailles as it deserves to be seen. You will start your visit of Versailles with a guided tour of the beautiful State Apartments (Queen's Apartments, Hall of Mirrors, etc.) You will then be taken into the gardens "which count among the most prestigious of the World's Heritage". You will have the opportunity to appreciate the beauty of the estate and the uniqueness of the place before having lunch(included) in the Park in a nice setting near the Grand Canal. After lunch, your guide will take you the "Grand Trianon", a marble palace listed as UNESCO World Heritage since 1979. You will then discover the "Queen's Hamlet", a Norman-style thatched cottage build for Maire Antoinette.

**Cost:** $275.00

**Versailles Independent Tour** (On your own – Own arrangements to central pick-up point for tour)

See Versailles your own way on a do-it-yourself tour from Paris. Perfect if you prefer to travel independently, the tour includes transportation and entrance fees, then gives you the freedom to explore Versailles Palace at your own pace. The dazzling royal residence of Versailles is the largest and most sumptuous palace ever built by a reigning monarch, and is surrounded by gardens and parklands.

Includes transportation from Paris and entrance fees to the gardens, Versailles Palace and the Grand Royal Apartments.

**Cost:** $68.00

Thursday, Nov. 6: **Normandy** (full day)

You will travel to the Beach of Normandy and will stop at "The Pointe du Hoc", 90 feet high cliffs, where 225 Rangers landed on the morning of June 6, 1944. Then continue your day of remembrance and stop at Colleville sur Mer to visit the American Cemetery, Overlooking Omaha Beach, which contains over 9,000 white crosses perfectly aligned on 170 acres. You also stop at other famous WWII locations such as Arromanches and the vestiges of the artificial harbour (Mulberry Bridge), Longues-sur-Mer and the German artillery battery as well as the Caen Memorial, a place for reflecting on war in general and on what WWII meant, and still means, to the world.

**Cost:** $319.00

Friday, Nov. 7: **Mont Saint-Michel** (full day)

Today’s tour takes us to Mont Saint-Michel, an island located off the coast of Northern France, and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Arrive at Mont St-Michel in the late morning for your guided walking tour of this iconic attraction, perched on a rocky island amid a vast bay and encircled by stout ramparts and battlements. After fueling up with lunch and refreshments (included), follow your expert guide on a walk to the top of the hilly village, where you’ll then travel back in time as you enter the fascinating abbey.

**Cost (including lunch):** $286.00
Saturday, Nov. 8:

**Disneyland Resort** (full day) – no pick-up/return at hotel

Discover Disneyland Resort, a Magical Kingdom not so far away - somewhere between a place where you wish upon a star and dreams come true, and classic Disney heroes and heroines live once upon a time in fairytales that are, happily, never ending.

*Moderate to heavy walking/ must get to meeting location on own*

Cost: $116.00

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**Note:** Tours are small groups so limited availability. Pick-up from/to hotel included unless otherwise noted. Depending on number of participants, travelers other than our group may be included. TCI Representative may not be on tour.

**Name(s):** ____________________________________________________________

**Email:** _______________________________________________________________

_____ Paris Pass  __2-day-$161.00/ __4-day-$239.00/ __6-day-$290.00 x ____ persons = $___________

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_____ Gourmet Food tour $124.00 x ____ persons = $___________

_____ Chocolate Pastry Food tour $124.00 x ____ persons = $___________

_____ Paris Illumination $86.00 x ____ persons = $___________

_____ Versailles – Full day – Escorted $275.00 x ____ persons = $___________

_____ Versailles – Independent/Un-Escorted $68.00 x ____ persons = $___________

_____ Normandy $319.00 x ____ persons = $___________

_____ Mont Saint-Michel $286.00 x ____ persons = $___________

_____ Paris Disneyland Resort $116.00 x ____ persons = $___________

**Please complete your selections and return to TCI by 14Sep14**

**Send to:**
Travel Counsellors, Inc.
276 W Market St
Harrisonburg, VA 22801

Total $___________

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If none of the above tours of interest; you may wish to search options at the following site:


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**NOTE:** Include payment with sights selections.

Should the US Dollar devalue more than 3% before departure, a currency fluctuation surcharge may be applied to your final invoice.

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