

University of Iowa Alumni Association

VILLAGE LIFE®

IN

DORDOGNE

OCTOBER 8 TO 16, 2015

 ${f E}$ xperience the provincial charm of Dordogne for La full week in Sarlat-la-Canéda, one of the most beautiful and well-preserved medieval villages in France. Stay in the family-owned PLAZA MADELEINE HÔTEL, formerly a grand 19th-century townhouse. Discover the region's castles and prehistoric treasures through specially arranged excursions and cultural enrichments—the pilgrimage site of Rocamadour and the fascinating prehistoric cave paintings of Rouffignac and Cap Blanc, all part of UNESCO's World Heritage list; the perfect replica cave art in Lascaux II; a specially arranged gabare cruise on the Dordogne River; and the exclusive VILLAGE FORUM® with local residents who will share insights into daily life in Dordogne. We also invite you to join the special Bordeaux Pre-Program Option, featuring an excursion into St. Emilion, one of France's world-famous wine regions and a UNESCO World Heritage site.



Plaza Madeleine Hôtel

Enjoy the tranquil pace of Village Life® during your stay in the family-owned PLAZA MADELEINE HÔTEL, located just beyond the ancient walls of Sarlat-la-Canéda's medieval quarter, a mere five-minute walk from the village center. A former grand 19th-century townhouse, this hôtel de charme was recently renovated with tasteful French ésprit contemporain. Each of the 40 comfortable, air-conditioned guest rooms features two twin beds or one queen bed with private bathroom, individual climate control, satellite television, direct-dial telephone, wireless Internet access, safe, minibar and hair dryer. The hotel dining room, where continental breakfast is prepared daily featuring fresh baked breads, pastries and charcuterie, is reserved for the exclusive use of guests. There is also a brasserie pub with lounge and private terrace, a petit lounge with computer facilities and wireless Internet access, a heated outdoor swimming pool, solarium and spa with jacuzzi and sauna. The dedicated hotel staff is pleased to provide attentive service.



THIS TRAVEL PROGRAM FEATURES

IN SARLAT-LA-CANÉDA

- Seven nights' comfortable accommodations in the PLAZA MADELEINE HÔTEL.
- Private Welcome Reception in the hotel.
- Breakfast each morning, two two-course lunches and two dinners in the hotel.
- Three three-course dinners in specially selected traditional French bistros featuring table d'hôte menus of French country cuisine and regional specialties.
- Regional wine is served with each included dinner.

LOCAL EXPERT-GUIDED EXCURSIONS

- Architectural walking tour of Sarlat-la-Canéda.
- Excursion to Rocamadour, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and Souillac, including lunch.
- Visit to the lush, impeccably maintained Jardins d'Eyrignac.
- Excursion to Lascaux II and the UNESCO World Heritage sites of Rouffignac Cave and L'Abri du Cap-Blanc.
- Tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies-de-Tayac.
- Visit to St-Amand-de-Coly and the prehistoric troglodyte village of La Madeleine.
- Tour of the castle of Beynac-et-Cazenac.
- Walking tour of Domme.

Exclusive Cultural Enrichments

- Specially arranged VILLAGE FORUM® with local residents who will discuss life in southwestern provincial France.
- A lecture on architectural preservation in Sarlat-la-Canéda by a local historian.
- Private, specially arranged gabare cruise along the Dordogne, with lunch in the village of Beynac.
- Wine and cheese tasting at a local Sarlat épicerie gourmet et magasin du vin.
- Specially arranged 19th-century French folk entertainment.
- French language introduction to basic phrases and correct pronunciation.

ENHANCED TRAVEL SERVICES

- Transfers and luggage handling abroad for participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
- Gratuities to hotel personnel.
- Gratuities to local guides and drivers on included excursions and transfers.
- Hospitality desk in the hotel.
- The services of a Gohagan & Company Program Director throughout the program.
- Travel document wallet, name badge and pre-departure information.
- Automatic \$250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.

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