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A World Apart

The story of travel involves more than a ticket and a passport. It should weave together discovery, education and humanity, the best elements of any compelling tale. Your personal travel story begins with our commitment to delivering authentic experiences with local people.

The incomparable value of your journey lies in the personalized care you receive from your Travel Director and the knowledge you gain from expert guides and lecturers, who call this area home.

By eliminating logistical worries, your multilingual Travel Director allows you to immerse yourself comfortably in your surroundings. This high-caliber professional makes you feel safe and important by creating a convivial, welcoming atmosphere.

The other important characters in this story are the guides and lecturers, whose regional expertise shines in their insider perspective and commentary.

Take time to stroll Paris' intimate quarters, chat with neighborhood shopkeepers and unwind in tranquil gardens and churchyards, and you'll come to know the city's soul.

Inspiring Moments

- Explore Le Marais, a historic neighborhood that is a modern-day favorite of Parisians and travelers alike.
- Nibble on treats during a gastronomic walking tour, featuring locally owned artisanal food shops.
- See the sun dip behind Paris' most beautiful landmarks during a late afternoon cruise on the Seine.
- ► Visit the city of **Dijon** and enjoy **lunch at a lovely historic mansion.**
- Gaze at celebrated works of art and priceless antiquities in Paris' famous museums with a two-day pass.



Dear Alumni, Parents, and Friends,

We invite you to be among the thousands of Cornell alumni, parents and friends who view the Cornell Alumni Association (CAA) Travel Program as their first choice for memorable travel adventures.

If you've travelled with CAA before, you know to expect excellent travel experiences in some of the world's most interesting places. If our travel offerings are new to you, you'll want to take a closer look at our upcoming tours.

Working closely with some of the world's most highly-respected travel companies, CAA trips are not only well organized, safe, and a great value, they are filled with remarkable people. This year, as we have for more than forty years, are offering itineraries in the United States and around the globe.

Whether you're ascending a sand dune by camel, strolling the cobbled streets of a 'medieval town', hiking a trail on a remote mountain pass, or lounging poolside on one of our luxury cruises, we guarantee *an extraordinary journey in great company*.

And that's the reason so many Cornellians return, year after year, to travel with the Cornell Alumni Association. If you, like me, simply can't wait for your next travel adventure, I encourage you to register today for this or another of our remarkable travel offerings.

Warmly,

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Art | Architecture | Culture | Cuisine | History



Welcome to Paris, a city that will tantalize your senses. Feast your eyes on iconic landmarks, hear church bells chime, breathe in the tempting aroma of fresh bread baking in neighborhood boulangeries, nibble airy macarons and feel the breeze tousle your hair during a Seine River cruise. Expert lecturers and guides will help you make the most of every moment, from introducing you to Paris' famed culinary scene to helping your navigate renowned art collections.

Day One

In Transit

Depart for Paris, France.

Day Two

Paris, France

Upon arrival, transfer★ to the Hotel l'Echiquier Opéra Paris.

Discovery: *Welcome to Paris.* Orient yourself with the neighborhood around your hotel on a walking tour and get a briefing on the Métro, Paris' famous subway system, from your Travel Director.



ACTIVE TRAVEL for CULTURAL EXPLORERS

Immersion Programs are moderately paced with a good balance of included activities and excursions and time to explore on your own. Travelers should be physically fit, able to walk distances of up to 3 miles, exit and enter trains quickly and navigate stairs, hills and uneven terrain.

UNESCO World Heritage

Paris, Banks of the Seine, is the World Heritage site featured in this program.

Gather for a Welcome Reception and Dinner.

Day Three	В
Paris	

Enrichment: The History of Paris.

Discover Paris' rich past before venturing into the city.

Discovery: *Le Marais.* Explore the heart of artistic and cultural life in Paris in this trendy, yet intimate, neighborhood. Marais means "marsh," but this neighborhood is much more elegant than its name.

Free Time: Enjoy some time exploring on your own. Continue exploring Le Marais and stroll through the narrow lanes built during the Middle Ages. Browse through art galleries and stylish boutiques or stroll through Place des Vosges, Paris' first square.

Discovery: *Paris by Boat.* Cruise the Seine River for a different perspective of Paris. Float past Notre-Dame Cathedral, Île Saint-Louis, the Louvre Museum and French Institute.

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Day Four

Paris

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Discovery: *Flavors of France.* Step into the world of French gastronomy. Discover several of the city's best artisan-made foods as a knowledgeable guide leads the way.

Free Time: Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. Paris is filled with historic landmarks, world-class shopping, musuems and more!







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Don't miss the opportunity to go to the top of the Eiffel Tower for the best view of the city.

Day Five

Dijon

Discovery: *Dijon.* Take the high-speed train to this ancient Roman city, which continues to blossom with each passing age. Explore the Old Town, and visit the fine arts museum in the former Palace of the Dukes. Pass by the archaeology museum, which sits inside an ancient monastery, and the Maille mustard shop, which sells the city's famous condiment. Enjoy lunch at Hôtel Malateste, and enjoy a tour of this beautiful, historic home.

Free Time: Enjoy some time in Dijon, capital of the Burgundy region, on your own. Visit one of the museums or visit a wine shop to buy a bottle of one of the famous regional wines to enjoy some evening during your trip or even to bring home.

Day Six

Paris

Enrichment: Treasures of the Louvre.

Learn about the collections at the Louvre Museum and decide what areas of the museum you would like to see with your two-day Paris Museum Pass.

Free Time: Visit the Louvre at your leisure with your Museum Pass. The museum has several restaurants, so you may take a break for lunch and then continue to explore the galleries. When you are done, see more of the city. See the Latin Quarter, so named because



this has been the intellectual hub of Paris for centuries. The Sorbonne, Paris' famous university is nearby, and the streets are lined with bookstores and cafés. Stroll through the Luxembourg Gardens, a classic French garden, or the abbey of Saint-Germain-des-Prés, the oldest church in the city. If you choose, you may join the Elective Activity being offered today.

ELECTIVE | Versailles. See France's grandest palace on a guided tour. Versailles was France's political capital and seat of the royal court from 1682-1789. The Treaty of Versailles, which signaled the end of World War I, was signed in the famed Hall of Mirrors.

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Day Seven

Paris

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Enrichment: Treasures of the d'Orsay.

The Musée d'Orsay features French art of the





1800s and early 1900s, including works by Degas, Monet, Renoir, Cézanne and other noted artists. Enjoy an expert overview of the museum and the impressionist movement.

Free Time: Your Museum Pass includes entrance into the d'Orsay Museum. You may wish to stay and explore the museum today.

Day Eight

B|D

Paris

Discovery: *Garnier Opéra House.* Step into the Garnier Opéra House, which inspired "The Phantom of the Opera." See the ceiling painted by Chagall, Edgar Degas' paintings and more.

Free Time: Enjoy your final afternoon in Paris at leisure.

Join your fellow travelers for a special Farewell Reception and Dinner.

Day Nine In Transit

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After breakfast, transfer to the airport for the return flight to your gateway city.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Walking is required on many excursions, and surfaces may be uneven or unpaved.

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B|L|D denotes included breakfasts, lunches and dinners.

Elective Experiences are available at an additional cost.

INCLUDED FEATURES

ACCOMMODATIONS

(With baggage handling.)

• Seven nights in Paris, France, at the first-class Hotel L'Echiquier Opéra Paris.

EXTENSIVE MEAL PROGRAM

- Seven breakfasts, one lunch and two dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Sample authentic regional specialties during meals at local restaurants.

YOUR ONE-OF-A-KIND JOURNEY

- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history:
 - -Explore Le Marais.
 - -See the highlights of Paris during an afternoon Seine River cruise.
 - -Taste the authentic flavors of France during an artisanal culinary tour.
 - -Visit the Burgundian town of Dijon.
 - -Step inside the opulent Garnier Opéra House.
- A two-day Paris Museum Pass, which allows you to bypass long entry lines at more than 50 museums, including the Louvre and d'Orsay museums.
- Ten-ticket Métro package for included excursions.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- Clearly hear your English-speaking guide with your VOX headset.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
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- ► Lecturers | Coming from all walks of life, our entertaining local lecturers open your eyes to history and current events. The breadth of their knowledge deepens your appreciation for the region and its heritage.



HOTEL L'ECHIQUIER OPÉRA PARIS | PARIS

Enjoy accommodations in the heart of the city. Our travel experts have carefully selected this first-class property for its prime location. It is ideally located for exploring the city's renowned landmarks, while providing opportunities to immerse yourself in local life. Of utmost importance is the quality of the services, amenities and accommodations, allowing you to fully enjoy your stay.



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Air Program dates:

April 29 – May 7, 2018 Land Program dates: April 30 - May 7, 2018

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