



FRENCH & WINE

PARIS, FRANCE

PROGRAMS START EVERY MONDAY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

This French & Wine program enables you to combine a French course with local wine classes or attend a wine tasting. The unique program offers exciting hands-on language and wine education, meaningful cultural immersion, and an enriching language program.

CITY AND COUNTRY INFO

Paris is the paragon of style - perhaps the most captivating city in Europe. Yet it is also deeply traditional, village-like and, in parts, a dilapidated metropolis whose inhabitants are notorious for their hauteur, and yet modern and cosmopolitan.

In recent decades, it has moved its focus from preserving its status as the centre of Western intellectual, artistic and literary movements, and as Europe's natural asylum for dissidents and the disillusioned, towards the more material advances promised by technology and business. And at the same time the cultural contributions of its large immigrant populations, particularly from Algeria and West and Central Africa, have sparked unprecedented social transformation.

While such contradictions and contrasts may be the reality of any city, they are the makings of Paris: consider the tiny lanes and alleyways of the quartier Latin or Montmartre against the monumental vistas from the Louvre to La Défense; the multiplicity of markets and old-fashioned pedestrian arcades against the giant underground commercial complexes of Montparnasse, the Louvre and Les Halles; or the obsession with refashioning old buildings and creating ground-breaking architecture against the old ladies who still iron sheets by hand in the laundries of Auteil.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PROGRAM

After participating in this French & Wine Program in Paris, students will receive a well rounded wine education through specific programs, greatly improve foreign language abilities, gain personal growth and confidence both nationally and internationally, and combine travel, academics, and passion for wine and drinking wine into one incredible life-changing experience.



What's Included

- **Tuition and Class Materials:** Standard group 20 hours per week/ one week minimum.
- **Wine Classes:** 2 hours per week
- **Lodging:** Homestay
- **Placement Testing**
- **1-2 Organized Activities Weekly***
* Entrance fees, transportation, etc. may be at additional cost.
- **Access to E-mail**
- **Certificate of Completion**
- **Pre-Departure Information**
- **Planning Guide**
- **Medical, Accident and Sickness Coverage ****
** See policy for definitions and exclusions.
- **Medivac Coverage**
- **Other Travel Coverage:** repatriation, baggage, personal effects, accidental death and dismemberment , etc.
- **24 Hour Emergency Multilingual Hotline:** call collect from anywhere in the world
- **Access to Multimedia Learning Center**

FULL PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

STUDY PROGRAM

The study portion of the program includes 20 hours per week of Group French classes with a 1 week minimum. Maximum number of students per class is 5, with the average being 2 students. Groups are organized in a way that each will always consist of students possessing the same level of French.

All of our teachers are native speakers with university educations and are very experienced teaching French to foreigners. Most have learned a second language themselves and understand the student's perspective.

The method is based on the 4 language skills: listening, grammar, oral and written comprehension. No English will be used in class. Classes are 45 minutes in length.

Our program is divided into 6 levels of study. The first 4 are concentrated on grammar, vocabulary, practical situations, and conversation. The next 2 levels, advanced and superior, focus mainly on conversation and advanced reading and writing topics.

WINE COURSES

Organized in a famous wine bar by a specialist who lightheartedly introduces the students to oenology, this course teaches the basics of wine degustation, explaining the different flavors and appellations of wine. Students learn how to inspect, smell and taste the different wines. Cheese and cold meats accompany the wine-tasting session. Each weekly session should take up to about 2 hours.

Increase your vocabulary, identify flavors, scents and aromas, create a stir amongst your friends! Whatever your motivation, you are sure to enjoy this course! No minimum level is required, although to fully appreciate the course an intermediate level is recommended.

LODGING OPTIONS

HOMESTAY

Students will receive a warm welcome from Parisian families carefully chosen by the housing coordinators. Host families are eager to impart the French language and culture on the students they host. Additionally, they enjoy learning about the culture of the student they host. Breakfast is provided daily. Two meals daily is also available, but at an additional cost.

Accommodation with a host family extends from the Sunday before the first day of classes to the Saturday following the last day of classes. Students can opt to extend, and extra days will be paid at a pro rata (advanced notice is required to ensure availability). Students should notify NRCSA before they depart of their arrival time so that someone can be there to welcome them.

PRICE RANGE

Cost of 1 week of classes, 2 hours of wine lessons or demonstrations, and 1 week of housing ranges from:

\$1,336 → \$1,636**

**Prices range according to housing and board options.

ELIGIBILITY AND GUIDELINES

U.S. citizens traveling with regular passports for tourism or business do not need a visa for a stay of 90 days or less. Those planning a longer visit must obtain a visa in advance of arrival.

Minimum age of 18 unless accompanied by an adult. There is a limited number of positions every start date.

ACTIVITIES AND EXCURSIONS

Optional guided tours in and around Paris are available, as well as coached excursions to various chateaus around Paris such as:

- The Louvre museum
- Notre-Dame
- The Eiffel Tower
- The Arc de Triomphe
- Marais
- The Ile St-Louis
- The Latin Quarter

HOW TO REGISTER

To register for the FRENCH & WINE program in Paris, either follow the link below or call 1-888-678-6211.

<http://www.nrca.com/reg/on-line/regform.html>

When you register, \$140 USD is due to secure your place in the program.