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PARTNERS IN REVOLUTION: THE FRENCH-AMERICAN ALLIANCE

10 DAYS: SEPTEMBER 19-28, 2021



“So ask the traveled inhabitant of any nation, in what country on earth would you rather live? Certainly in my own where are all my friends, my relations, and the earliest and sweetest affections and recollections of my life. Which would be your second choice? France.” ~Thomas Jefferson, Autobiography

For more information, or to make a reservation, please call 877-298-9677

The image features a dark silhouette of a man in profile, facing left, standing next to a classical column. The column is partially visible, showing its capital and fluted shaft. The background is a light, hazy blue. The title 'The Founding Fathers' is written vertically in a white, elegant cursive font along the right side of the column.

The Founding Fathers

In the mid-1780s, with the American Revolution behind them, Thomas Jefferson joined Benjamin Franklin in France to promote America's most precious export: democracy. Nearly 250 years ago, "The Great Experiment" that is the United States began as a simple idea – that men and women should govern themselves. And that idea has been debated ever since -- by scholars and school boys, by poets and politicians, by captains of industry and workers on the factory floor. The debate has only served to strengthen the idea, correcting its flaws and broadening its appeal. In 2020, America has seen republicanism take root in countries around the world, but in the beginning, there was only one. France.

Come with us as we explore the successes – and excesses – of the democratic experiment in France and the critical alliance between a nascent American republic and its French counterpart throwing off a monarchical past. Revel as Franklin must have reveled in the glittering salons of Paris as he slyly maneuvered French public opinion – and government policy – in support of America. Travel as Jefferson did, hoping to see not only the treasures of antiquity but also how the French lived, what they ate, how they plowed their fields, and where they laid their heads at night. Nothing escaped his notice, and nothing will escape yours on this ten-day journey through France, America's partner not only in revolution but also in defining what democracy would mean for all generations to come.

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Itinerary

September 19, 2021 | Arrival in Paris

- Individual arrivals into Paris
- Group transfers depending on arrival times (designated arrival day only)
- Walking tour of sites related to Benjamin Franklin and other Founding Fathers
- Meeting with member(s) of the Société Historique d’Auteuil and Passy for more in-depth discussion of Benjamin Franklin’s time in Paris
- Welcome Dinner at the newly-reopened (*aiming for July 2020*) Hotel de la Marine—the site where Louis XVI and Benjamin Franklin signed the Treaty of Friendship and Trade

Included meals: Dinner

Suggested accommodations: [Hôtel du Louvre Paris](#)

September 20, 2021 | Franklin’s Paris

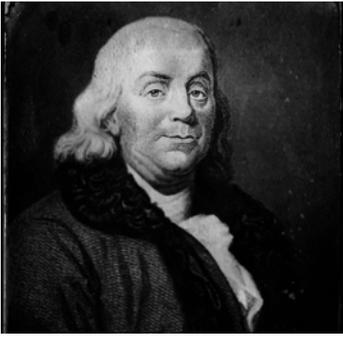
- Guided tour of Carnavalet Museum
 - Dedicated to the history of Paris, this museum has an archive which includes documents related to Thomas Jefferson and Benjamin Franklin. *It has been closed for renovation for four years and is slated to re-open in 2020*
- Visit to Musée de la Franc-Maçonnerie to learn the importance of free masonry in the lives of Benjamin Franklin and his “brothers,” Lafayette, Washington, and Voltaire
 - By special permission, visit the Free Mason Lodge (*to be confirmed*)
- Possible visit to the Institut de France (Académie Française) (*rarely open to the public- would be by special arrangement*)

Included meals: Breakfast

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September 21, 2021 | Versailles

- Guided tour of the château focusing on Benjamin Franklin who was received by Louis XVI in 1778, officially marking France's Treaty of Alliance with the United States into the war against England
- Lunch at the restaurant at the château
- Special tour of the Bibliothèque municipale de Versailles which contains part of the set of treaties which ended the American Revolutionary War

Included meals: Breakfast/Lunch

Suggested accommodations: [Hôtel du Louvre Paris](#)



September 22, 2021 | Burgundy

- Depart Paris for a scenic drive through Burgundy (*approximately 4 hours*)
- En-route, stop at Vézelay for lunch and a guided tour of the basilica, one of the masterpieces of Burgundian Romanesque art and architecture
- Continue to Beaune and check in to your hotel

Included meals: Breakfast/Lunch

Suggested accommodations: [Hostellerie Cèdre & Spa, Beaune](#)



September 23, 2021 | Clos Vougeot

- Guided tour of Beaune including the famous 15th century Hospices
- Afternoon visit to Château de Clos Vougeot
 - In Jefferson's time, the château was the property of Cistercian monks. Currently, it is the headquarters of the Confrérie des Chevaliers du Tastevin (a fraternity of Burgundy wine enthusiasts)
- Vineyard and winery visit and tasting in Gevrey-Chambertin, a favorite of Thomas Jefferson

Included meals: Breakfast/Lunch

Suggested accommodations: [Hostellerie Cèdre & Spa, Beaune](#)



September 24, 2021 | The Burgundies of Burgundy

- Meet the descendants of Étienne Parent, who had connections with Thomas Jefferson and became a forerunner of Burgundy wine exportations across the Atlantic, and visit their vineyard for a winetasting
- In Mersault, taste the Goutte d'Or, considered the best table wine in France
- Wine-pairing dinner at a wine house in Beaune

Included meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner

Suggested accommodations: [Hostellerie Cèdre & Spa, Beaune](#)



September 25, 2021 | Lyon and Aix-en-Provence

- Transfer to Lyon (approximately 2 hours) along the route that Jefferson took in 1787
- Panoramic tour of Lyon and lunch at the famed Brasserie Georges
- TGV (high speed train) to Aix-en-Provence (approximately 90 minutes)
- Check in to hotel for evening at leisure

Included meals: Breakfast/Lunch

Suggested accommodations: [Hotel Le Pignonnet, Aix-en-Provence](#)



September 26, 2021 | Jefferson’s Journey

- Walking tour of Aix-en-Provence, famed for waters which were supposed to heal Jefferson’s ailing wrist
- Enjoy lunch at leisure in the picturesque Saint-Rémy followed by an olive oil tasting
- Guided visit to the mausoleum and triumphal arch in the ancient city of Glanum—Jefferson later owned an engraving of the two structures
- Continue to Avignon for a walking tour through its winding streets, chapels and squares

Included meal: Breakfast

Suggested accommodations: [Hotel Le Pignonnet, Aix-en-Provence](#)



September 27, 2021 | Nîmes

- Drive to Nîmes (90 minutes) for a walking tour including the amphitheater and Maison Carrée which Jefferson described as “two of the most superb remains of antiquity which exist.”
- Continue to the ancient aqueduct bridge, Pont du Gard
- Festive farewell dinner in Aix

Included meals: Breakfast/Dinner

Suggested accommodations: [Hotel Le Pignonnet, Aix-en-Provence](#)



September 28 | Au revoir

- Group transfer to Marseilles for individual flights home or onward

Included meal: Breakfast



Suggested Hotels



[Hôtel du Louvre Paris](#)

Fully renovated in 2019, and ideally located in the 1st Arrondissement near the Louvre, the Palais Royal, the Comédie Française, and the Opéra Garnier, the Hôtel du Louvre provides understated luxury from a prime location.



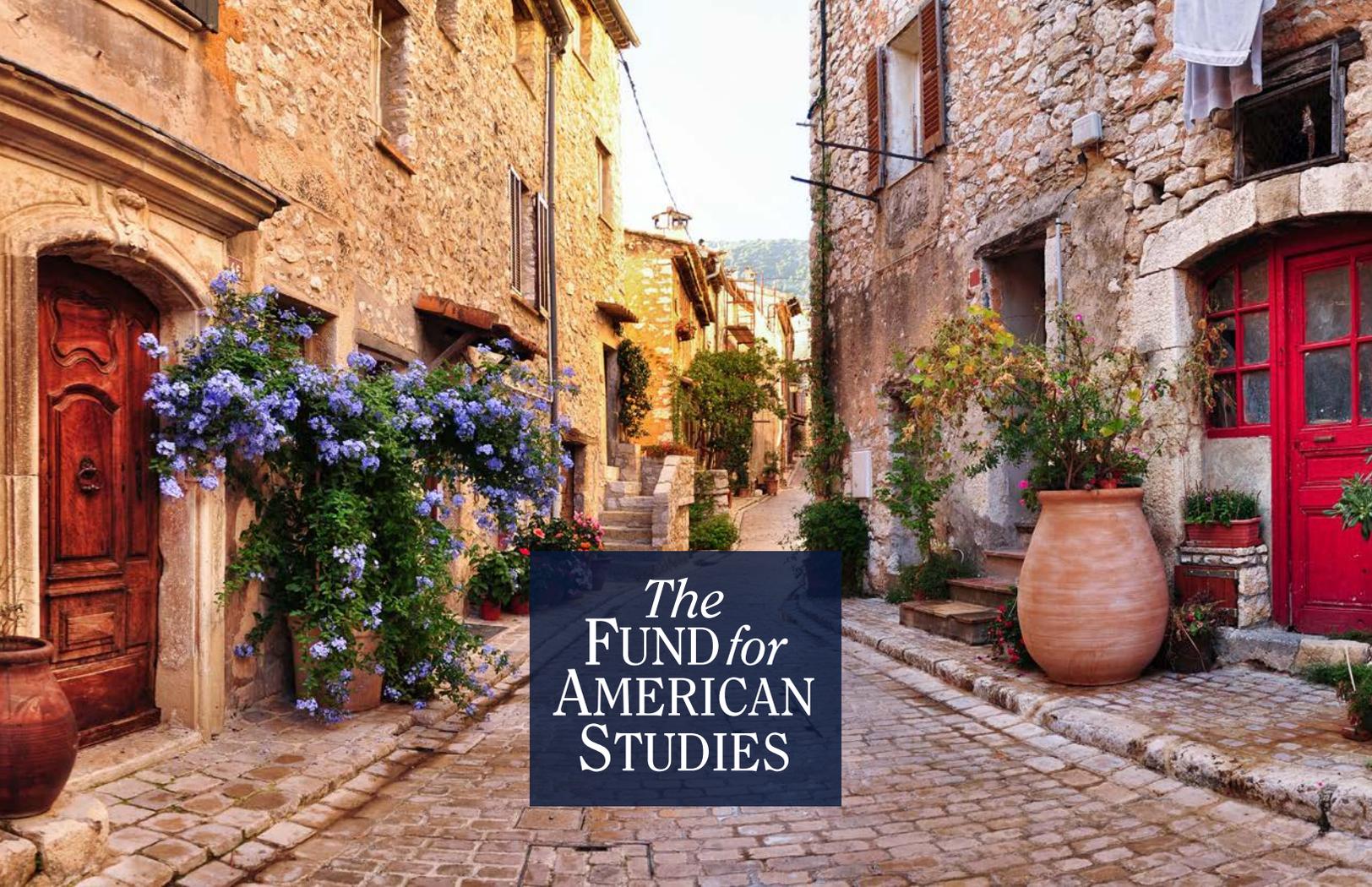
[Hostellerie Cèdre & Spa, Beaune](#)

Located in the center of Beaune, this hotel is just steps from the storied Hospices, Hostellerie Cèdre & Spa offers a commitment to elegance, history, gastronomy and well-being. The boutique hotel offers 40 bespoke rooms decorated in a style which blends tradition with modernity.



[Hotel Le Pigonnet, Aix-en-Provence](#)

Nestled in a residential area, entering the tree-lined alley of the hotel grounds feels like going back in time to a Provence of the past. The hotel's history is linked to the revival of thermal baths at the beginning of the 20th century. Rooms are bathed in natural light, their interior décor a complement to the garden vegetation outside.



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Price Information

Maximum Participants	26
Number of Days	10
Tour Cost	\$8,995
Single Supplement	\$2,700
Deposit upon enrollment	\$1,000

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

LAND COST

Prices are listed in U.S. dollars and are based on a person sharing a room with another. While we do our best to maintain the listed price, because our prices are set over a year in advance, we reserve the right to change costs due to extraordinary circumstances beyond our control. The land cost is based on a minimum number of guests.

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

- All accommodations and meals with wine and non-alcoholic drinks as outlined in the itinerary
- All ground transportation within the itinerary unless otherwise indicated
- All sightseeing as specified in the itinerary
- Comprehensive educational program by professional on-site guides
- Entrance fees
- Meeting rooms for 2 talks by expert
- Gratuities to porters, guides, drivers, wait staff in restaurants during group meals, housekeeping at group hotels
- Transfers to and from airports for those arriving or departing according to the designated itinerary
- Baggage handling for one checked piece and one carry-on piece per person
- The assistance of an ATA tour manager
- The assistance of an ATA professional travel team to assist with pre-trip questions, travel arrangements, including flights, extra hotel nights and other services
- Comprehensive pre-departure mailings and materials with information about the destination and what to expect on tour, including a suggested reading list
- Emergency evacuation insurance

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED IN THE PRICE

- International airfare
- Travel and trip cancellation insurance
- Passport, visa, airport departure and excess baggage fees
- Meals not specified in the itinerary, food and beverages not part of the included meals
- Personal items such as telephone, fax and internet charges, laundry, room service, alcoholic or other beverages not specified as included
- Gratuities for non-group services
- Expenses incurred in making individual travel arrangements in conjunction with the tour
- Expenses you may incur resulting from delays due to bad weather, road conditions, sickness, government action, and flight delays
- Any pre or post night stays before or after the group tour program

SINGLE ROOMS

A limited number of single rooms are available at extra cost on a first-come, first-served basis, but availability cannot be guaranteed. Please understand that, in some hotels, single rooms are very small. The premium you pay is for privacy, not spaciousness.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

\$1,000 per person deposit upon application. Balance due upon

receipt of invoice, 60 days prior to departure. Acceptable forms of payment for the deposit are personal check, wire transfer, Visa, MasterCard, or American Express. Final payment may be made by credit card, check or wire transfer. If final payment is not received by 60 days prior to departure, your space is subject to cancellation. If you are making a reservation within 60 days of the trip's departure, full payment will be required upon confirmation.

CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS

All cancellations must be submitted in writing (email or fax) to Academic Travel Abroad, Inc. (ATA). Per person cancellation fees are based on the date of the cancellation notice reaching ATA. More than 61 days prior to departure, full refund of deposit. Cancellation within 60 days of departure, no refund. Cancellation on day of departure or after tour departs: no refund. No refund for unused portions of tour, including, but not limited to, missed meals, hotel nights and sightseeing. Cancellation of program by TFAS and ATA: full refund. Reservations are not transferable without the explicit approval of TFAS and ATA. NOTE: Neither TFAS nor ATA accepts liability for any airline or train cancellation penalty incurred by the purchase of a nonrefundable airline or train ticket to the tour departure city or return.

INSURANCE

We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation insurance, which is available for coverage of expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident. Baggage insurance is also recommended. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement. We will send you a brochure from Travel Insurance Services, or you may obtain coverage through a company of your choice. All ATA trips include Emergency Evacuation Insurance as part of the trip price.

A NOTE ABOUT THE ITINERARY

While every effort will be made to carry out the program as planned, the nature of travel is unpredictable and we must be prepared for changes. The itinerary as described is subject to modification by ATA. Rest assured that, should any changes be needed, we commit to deliver an experience as outstanding as the one originally planned.

HEALTH RECOMMENDATIONS

To enjoy your travels to the fullest, you should be in good physical and mental health. Any physical condition requiring special attention, diets, or treatment must be reported in writing when the reservation is made. We reserve the right to decline to accept or retain any person as a participant should such a person's health, mental condition, physical infirmity, or attitude jeopardize the operation of the travel program or the enjoyment of other participants. All health information is protected and treated as confidential.

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their employees, agents, or representatives. Nor do we accept responsibility for losses or delays arising from sickness, pilferage, acts of terrorism, pandemic, weather conditions or acts of God. All such losses or expenses shall be borne by the program participant. We reserve the right to cancel any trip prior to departure in which case the entire payment will be refunded without further obligation on our part. We likewise reserve the right to decline to accept or retain any trip participant at any time without being under any obligation to assign any reason therefore. In the event of the exercise of this right, we shall be under no liability to such person(s) except to refund such amount as our absolute discretion deems reasonable to attribute to the uncompleted portion of the trip. Baggage is carried at the owner's risk entirely. It is understood that air, ship or train tickets when issued shall constitute the sole contract between the passenger and carrier concerned. The airlines and all other transportation companies involved in this trip are not to be held responsible for any act, omission, or event during the time the passengers are not on board their plane or conveyances. All services are subject to the laws of the country in which they are rendered. The participant agrees on behalf of herself/himself, her/his dependents, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns to abide by the above conditions and to release and hold harmless, The Fund for American Studies and Academic Travel Abroad, Inc., and any of their representatives from any and all liability for any delays, damage, loss, injury or death occurring in relation to this tour.

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otherwise modified subsequent to the participant's purchase of those tickets. The Fund for American Studies and ATA accept no liability for the purchase of non-refundable airline tickets to the tour departure city and return. Baggage and personal effects are at all times the sole responsibility of the participant. Participants are encouraged to purchase of travel insurance.

Dates, schedules, program details, and costs, although provided in good faith based on information available at the time of publication of the brochure or catalog, are subject to change and revision.

AS A CONDITION OF ACCEPTANCE OF ANY APPLICATION, EACH APPLICANT MUST AGREE TO THE STATEMENT SET FORTH BELOW:

The undersigned has read carefully the Responsibility Statement and Liability Disclaimer set forth above, the schedule of activities for this tour, as well as the terms and conditions of application and participation as set forth in the tour brochure(s), and recognizes and accepts any risk associated with the tour and the conditions, including the refund policy, set forth in the tour brochure(s). The undersigned further acknowledges that there are many risks and uncertainties inherent in any travel tour, including but not limited to the hazards of various modes of transportation, forces of nature, acts or omissions of foreign governments, terrorism, war or insurrection, theft, illness, and damage to person or property due to the negligent acts or omissions of suppliers, tour staff or others. In consideration of, and as part payment for, the right to participate in the tour, the undersigned, on behalf of himself, his dependents, heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, hereby waives, releases, and discharges The Fund for American Studies, its directors, shareholders, officers, employees, representatives or agents, and ATA and its officers, directors, shareholders, employees, and agents, (Releasees) from liability, claims, demands, injuries, damages, consequential or indirect damages, actions or causes of action for personal injury, death, property damage or loss suffered by any person in connection with this tour, even if caused by the active and passive negligence or omission of tour staff, suppliers, or other related persons or entities, and, further indemnifies, holds harmless and promises not to sue the Releasees from any and all liabilities or claims made as a result of participation in this activity, whether caused by the negligence of a Releasee or otherwise. In addition, by registering for this tour, the applicant certifies that he or she is mentally and physically capable of full participation in this tour.

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