



LORD BYNG SCHOOL
MARCH 11-21, 2019
9 nights/ 11 Days
ALSACE-LORRAINE, LYON, PARIS

STRASBOURG (4), LYON (2), PARIS (3)

MONDAY MARCH 11 VANCOUVER | TRAVEL DAY

Morning Meet at the **Vancouver International Airport** for your flight to **Paris** win-flight meals and entertainment.

TUESDAY MARCH 12 PARIS | STRASBOURG (B + D)

Morning Upon your arrival at Charles De Gaulle airport meet your guide and load your bus. Depart for beautiful Strasbourg, France. Stop for lunch en route.

4:00 pm Partake in an **open aired cruise** of the Strasbourg Harbor **with views of the European District, Imperial District, Petite France, and Kebler Square**. After you will have some free time to do some souvenir shopping with your guide.

6:00 pm Check in with your host families. Dinner and overnight with your Strasbourg homestays.

4 nights with your homestay families: students and teachers.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 13 STRASBOURG (B+L+D)

Morning Today the group will explore Strasbourg by foot. Strasbourg is the capital city of the Alsace-Champagne-Ardenne-Lorraine region in northeastern France. It's also the formal seat of the European Parliament and sits near the German border, with culture and architecture blending German and French influences. Enjoy a walking tour of the city with visits to Petite France, the **Cathedral Notre Dame** (internal visit), **Maison Kammerzell, Place Gutenberg, Palais Rohan, and Place de la Republique** and the **Palais due Rhin**.

Afternoon Visit the **European Parliament** for a guided tour- which includes a visit to the 715-member Hemicycle gallery. There will be time for a question and answer period.

Evening Dinner (included) with your host families.

THURSDAY MARCH 14 STRASBOURG (B+L+D)

Morning Today the group will explore beautiful Alsace-Lorraine. Your first stop will be the beautiful **Chateau du Haut-Koenigsburg** (entrance included). Built by the German Emperor Wilhelm II in the 1800s, the castle has stunning views of the valley and is a sign of German architecture and opulence.

Afternoon Continue onto the picturesque town of **Ribeauville**, known as the most beautiful town in France. Walk through the streets and enjoy the towns markets. Then drive a short distance to **Colmar**. Colmar is a town with many attractions and charm including half-timbered houses, canals and the flower-decked town Centre. The group will have a chance to **visit a winery** for a short tour and demonstration. Then return to your host families in Strasbourg.

Evening Dinner (included) with your host families.

FRIDAY MARCH 15 STRASBOURG (B+L+D)

Morning Depart for charming Basel, Switzerland. Basel is a city on the Rhine River in northwest Switzerland, close to the country's borders with France and Germany. At the center of the city is Marktplatz and its 16th-century, red-sandstone Town Hall. The city's 12th-century Gothic cathedral has city views, and contains the tomb of the 16th-century Dutch scholar, Erasmus.

Afternoon Upon arrival take the short cruise with your local guide on the **Rheinfahre** (included) over the river and hike up **Basler Munterfor** a visit of **Erasmus' tomb** (included). **Then onto Marketplatz to Confiserie Schiesser**, the finest bakery in the city, where the students will be able sample the city's finest marzipan and chocolates. Return to your homestays in the late afternoon.

Evening Dinner (included) with your host families.

SATURDAY MARCH 16 STRASBOURG /LYON (B+D)

- Morning Say good-bye to your homestays and depart for historic Lyon. Lyon, a city in France's historical Rhône-Alpes region, sits at the junction of the Rhône and Saône rivers. Its center reflects 2,000 years of history, with the Roman Amphithéâtre des Trois Gaules, medieval and Renaissance architecture.
- Afternoon Stop at **Vieux Lyon** for lunch and a **guided walking tour of the area**. Here you will find the oldest part of town, which is famous for its traboules (corridors through the buildings), the paintings on its walls, and colorful streets. Visit **le Petit Musée du Guignol Fantastique** puppet museum (included). You will find out how different puppets are made and how they work, as well as the history of puppets in Lyon and France.
- Evening Late afternoon check into your Lyon hotel. Dinner near your hotel. In the evening walk to **Place des Terreaux** for the illuminated fountains.

2 nights accommodation at a Lyon hotel.

SUNDAY MARCH 17 LYON (B+D)

- Morning Breakfast at your hotel. Continue touring this UNESCO world heritage city by bus and foot with your local guide. Your stops will include the **Maison des Cantus**, which features the story of the Lyons silk trade. Other highlights today will include **Eglise Saint Nizier** for their stained glass windows, **Theatres Romains de Fourviere ruins**, **Hotel de Ville**, **the many famous murals of the city**, and lots of time for lunch and shopping at **Rue de la Republic**. This city has it all- parks, architecture, history and great food.
- Evening Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant on **Rue des Marronniers**

MONDAY MARCH 18 LYON/ PARIS (B + D)

- Morning Enjoy breakfast (included) at your hotel. Then depart for Paris.
- Afternoon Arrive in Paris in the early afternoon –drop your luggage at the hotel. With your tour manager, head out for a tour of Paris using the Paris Metro system and visit the major monuments of Paris including: **the Tour Eiffel (included)** the boulevard of the **Champs Elysees** leading to the **Arc de Triomphe** (evening visit). Dinner near the Champs Elysees.

3 nights' accommodation in Paris.

TUESDAY MARCH 19 PARIS (B + D)

- Morning Enjoy breakfast at your hotel.
Bus picks up at your hotel and transfer to **Chateau of Versailles** to meet your guides at the group check in counter where you will have a tour. After the tour you will have time to enjoy the gardens before returning back to Paris.
- Afternoon After lunch, head to the **Musée D'Orsay** (included), home of French works of art. Then take the metro to the **Latin Quarter**, you will have free time to stroll along the **Boulevard Michel** with its cafes and check out the famous **Shakespeare and Company Bookstore**, **Place St. Michel**, **Notre Dame Cathedral**, and the **Pantheon** plus relax in the beautiful **Luxembourg Gardens**.
- Evening This evening the group will enjoy a later dinner near their hotel and a late night stroll with their tour manager.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 20 PARIS (B + D)

- Morning Enjoy breakfast (included) at your hotel then head over to the Louvre.
Meet at the **Louvre** for a self-guided tour where you will see incredible works of art including the Mona Lisa, the Venus de Milo and Michelangelo's Slaves.
- Afternoon After lunch (own expense), head north to **Moulin Rouge** and **Montmartre** where you can climb up the steps to where the white **Basilica of Sacre Coeur** gleams high above Paris. You may want to visit the **Basilica** and then go around the corner to the nearby **Place du Tertre** where artists have set up their easels, and perhaps have your portrait sketched, or have a café au lait at the **Café des Deux Moulins**, featured in the movie *Amélie*
- Evening Dinner (included) then back to your hotel to pack for your departure.

THURSDAY MARCH 21

PARIS / VANCOUVER

After breakfast (included), depart for **Charles Du Gaulle Airport** and check in for your flight to **Vancouver** with in- flight meals and entertainment
Arrival at **Vancouver International Airport**. Collect your luggage and meet your parents

Welcome home and happy memories!

**Proposed Itinerary
Lord Byng School
Alsace Lorraine 2019**

\$ 4985.00 Based on 15 paying students and 2 nonpaying teachers

\$ 4140.00 Based on 30 paying students and 3 nonpaying teachers

Inclusions:

- Round-Trip airfare from Vancouver to Paris, including departure taxes
- All transfers and coach transportation as outlined on the itinerary
- 4-night Homestays in the Strasbourg
- 2 Nights Hotel Accommodation in Lyon
- 3 Nights Hotel Accommodation in Paris
- Twin/Triple rooms for the students and Twin rooms for the teachers
- Full time tour manager
- Breakfasts and dinners Daily
- Lunches at homestays
- Guide service as outlined in the itinerary, included walking tours in Strasbourg, Basel, and Lyon.
- Tours of Louvre (with whisper sets), Musee D'Orsay, Versailles, and the wine tour near Colmar
- Strasbourg and Basel river tours
- Metro passes in Paris
- Entrances mentioned in the above itinerary
- Manulife Student Youth Package Insurance: Emergency Medical, Trip Cancellation, Trip Interruption,
- Flight & Travel Accident & Baggage Insurance
- **Teacher sub costs**
- All gratuities
- Taxes and service charges
- Services of Affinity Group Tours

Not Included:

- Expenses of a personal nature
- Beverages with meals
- Meals other than specified on the itinerary
- Optional tours, excursions or activities
- Fuel surcharges imposed by the airline or the local transportation company
- Additional adults fees and single supplements

Deposit and Payment requirements:

- **\$500 Per Person non-refundable initial deposit required along with Booking Forms, copies of passports to due October 8, 2018 in our office**
- Deposit of \$1000 due **November 1, 2018** in our office
- Deposit of \$1000 due **December 1, 2018** in our office
- Final payment is due **January 15, 2019** in our office
- Rooming List is required **December 15, 2018**
- All payments made are subject to cancellation penalties

**If your final numbers require additional rooms, plane tickets, entrances fees, etc,
the final cost will be adjusted accordingly**

Important:

All participants of the France tour must be in possession of a valid Passport to enter France.

If any persons are not Canadian citizens, they may require special paperwork or a French/European Union Visa and it will be the individual's responsibility to ensure they have the correct documentation to enter Franceor to re-enter Canada following the tour

Please note:

Transportation Canada has now implemented a "No Fly List".

Should any passenger in your group be on that list, Affinity Group Tours will not accept any responsibility for failure to board the flight