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12D9N Bonjour!

Assemble at the airport and depart for Milan, and then to Nice, a city in

UNESCO World Heritage Site and a representative of significant importance. If you are keen for more, you may wish to go on an optional tour of the city of Montpellier.

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NICE ►EZE ► MONACO ► NICE

Day 2

Start your long-awaited trip by visiting **Eze** – the highest seaside village in France perched like an eagle's nest on a relatively narrow bumpy peak at an altitude of 429m overlooking the Mediterranean Sea. Glimpse through the Notre Dame de l'Assomption church and walk along the cobble-sized street surrounded with stone walls, followed by Jardin Exotique d'Eze, an exotic garden which offers most stunning views of French Riveria all the way to Esterel Mountains and the Golf of Saint Tropez. Visit Fragonard perfumery before driving to Monte-Carlo in **Monaco**. View the St. Nicholas Cathedral and the Opéra de Monte-Carlo, an opera house built in similar style as the Palais Garnier opera house in Paris under the same architect, Charles Garnier. Indulge the port's panoramic view and the Mediterranean from the Prince's Palace of Monaco – Monaco royal family's official residence for 700 years. Overnight in **Nice**.

Day 3 NICE ► SAINT TROPEZ ► PORT GRIMAUD ► MARSEILLE (B/D)

Leave Nice and drive along the Bay of Cannes before arriving to the glamorous resort town of **Saint Tropez**. Walk around the narrow alleys of old town; get a load of Place des lices, Citadelle, Notre-Dame de l'Assomption and Port of Saint Tropez. You may wish to join an optional boat cruise, admiring Saint-Tropez from the sea. Thereafter, make your way to the seaside town of **Port Grimaud**. Have free time at leisure; be awed by the Venetian-style canals with their uniquely Provencal-style fisherman's houses. At Night, check in to **Marseille** and doll yourself up! Experience the art of fine dining with right etiquette and sumptuous French cuisine courses is served.

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Day 4 MARSEILLES ► PROVENCE (B/D

Visiting the south of France is incomplete without the lavender fields of Provence. These purple blossoms come into bloom during summer period, leaving a memorable picture that lasts for a lifetime. Dive in the fragrant lavender scent as you visit the lavender distillery and watch how these flowers being processed into handmade products like essential oils, perfumes and soap. Hop on to the most beautiful hilltop village in Provence - Gordes, overlooking the Luberon valley. While strolling around tiny streets, climbing up between the tall houses, you will witness the Gordes Castle and Church of St. Femin. Thereafter, we shall visit a special city - Avignon, whose been crowned as UNESCO World Heritage historical site. We will be having professional guide to bring you along the tour of Avignon, which covers Palais des Papes, the cathedral and the Pont d'Avignon. During the tour you will enter the Palais des Papes, one of the largest and most important medieval Gothic buildings in Europe. You may wish to take up an optional tour to Provence Factory Outlet to do some shopping.

*Note: The lavender field tour is only available during the lavender period (approximately mid-June to August). In the event if Lavender season is over, group will not visit the field and there will be no replacement.

Day 5 AVIGNON ▶ PONT DU GARE ▶ ARLES ▶ CARCASSONNE (B/L)

Stop upon **Pont du Gard**, one of Europe's most well-preserved ancient Roman aqueducts. Continue to **Arles** and embark on a sightseeing tour of this ancient city's treasured remnants from the Roman Empire, inclusive of Arles Amphitheatre, Gallo-Roman theatre, the Baths of Constantine, the cryptoporticus and L'Espace Van Gogh. Travel back to the past in the historic town of **Carcassonne**, a medieval fortified settlement with great defence walls encompassing the castle and surrounding buildings. Due to its exceptionally lengthy restoration works done by famous architect Viollet-le-Duc, it was then listed as

Day 6 CARCASSONNE ► LOURDES ► BORDEAUX (B

Head to the Corbières region and wander through this rustic countryside's winding hills and landscapes. Jaunt past the aged Cathar Castles as you proceed towards Pyrenees to **Lourdes**. Visit the Immaculate Conception of Basilica, a church assembled directly above the cave of Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes, a popular pilgrimage spot due to its known and respected healing powers of the water of Lourdes. Proceed to **Bordeaux** and enjoy an orientation tour of the 'City of art and history', known for its Gothic Cathédrale St- André, art museums, 18th-century mansions and urban vineyards. It was then voted as 2015 European best destination by travellers.

Day 7 BORDEAUX ►ST. EMILLION ► CENTRE VAL DE LOIRE (B/D)

Come Across the vineyards in **St. Emilion**, the oldest and largest wine production region known for their wine. Go on a wine-tasting tour of this UNESCO World Heritage Site and learn more about their wine-making culture. -You may wish to join an optional tour to visit La Roque- Gageac on a boat cruise which offers the perfect postcard view and stroll along its alley to conclude the day. Stay a night in **Centre Val De Loire** region.

Day 8 CENTRE VAL DE LOIRE ► LOIRE VALLEY (B/D)

Visit the gorgeous Chateau de Chambord, by far the most popular chateaux in the **Loire Valley** which was authorised by King Francis I and the great Leonardo da Vinci. It is the largest and the most astonishing castle of Loire which lays a symbol of the French Renaissance and the power of a passionate ruler who venerated the arts. The Chateau matches the Palace of Versailles along with its lofty architecture. You can visit 60 rooms and enjoy a collection of 4,500 art objects in stunningly furnished apartments. Stay at a French castle hotel and live in royalty.

Day 9 LOIRE VALLEY ► MONT ST. MICHEL ► SAINT-MALO (B/D)

In the morning, take a trip to **Mont St. Michel**, a relatively small UNESCO World Heritage site upon an island off the coast of Lower Normandy in northern France. Visit the breath-taking Norman Benedictine Abbey of St. Michel on the island's peak, surrounded by winding streets and monasteries. Then, continue to the ancient walled city of **Saint-Malo**, a city port; once home for many interesting characters such as pirates and explorers as well as their famous butter cookies. Have a glance at their Cathedral and the Château de Saint-Malo, originally a symbol of ducal and royal power which now houses a museum covering the long maritime history of Saint-Malo, such as the WWII Occupation as well as the destruction and reconstruction of the town.

Day 10 SAINT-MALO ▶ PARIS (B/CHINESE L)

On this day, travel to **Paris** for your long awaited shopping spree stop, Galeries Lafayette – the biggest department store in Paris for some souvenir shopping (subject to store's opening hours). You may wish to join an optional scenic Seine River cruise or a Moulin Rouge show.

Day 11 PARIS → SINGAPORE

Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure till it is time to transfer to the airport for your flight home.

Day 12 SINGAPORE

We hope that you have had an enjoyable time with Hong Thai Travel.

*Note: *Due to local or religious festivals, unforeseen circumstances and weather conditions, the sequence of itinerary may need to be changed or althernatives sites substituted at short notice. *Hotels subject to final confirmation. Should there be changes, customers will be offered similar accommodations as stated in this list.

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