Dordogne

September 19 to 27, 2019

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Dear Alumni, Friends and Parents,

Bonjour!

Join our small group of travelers for this unique opportunity to experience provincial Dordogne, where the authentic character of Southern France is distilled into one of Europe’s most beautiful and intact medieval villages, Sarlat-la-Canéda. Immerse yourself in the rich local culture and cadence of daily life in the heart of this charming département, and learn more about the history of early humans who painted their stories on its cave walls, the largest concentration of prehistoric art in the world.

Our carefully planned, specially designed itinerary and expert-guided excursions explore five impressive UNESCO World Heritage sites: the dramatic cliffside monastic village of Rocamadour; the important archaeological sites of L’Abri du Cap-Blanc, Rouffignac cave and Les-Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil; and the prehistoric trogloodyte village of La Madeleine. Visit the state-of-the-art International Center for Cave Art at Lascaux to appreciate one of humankind’s earliest artistic creations. Exclusively arranged, enriching presentations and the VILLAGE LIFE® FORUM provide personal perspectives on la vie in the villages of Dordogne.

Your “home,” ideally located in the quaint medieval village of Sarlat-la-Canéda, will be the family-owned PLAZA MADELEINE HÔTEL, a restored 19th-century townhouse. This delightful hôtel de charme features an old-world ambiance with modern accommodations and amenities and is known for the warm hospitality of its staff. In addition to the included meals in the hotel, dine on regional specialties during traditional three-course dinners in specially selected French bistro.

VILLAGE LIFE® in Dordogne offers a quintessential adventure through the timeless South of France at an excellent value – and you unpack only once! This enchanting and engaging program is exceedingly popular, with over half of the spaces already reserved so book now while remaining spaces and Early Booking Savings are still available.

Sincerely,

Dan Stypa
Associate Director of Alumni Programs

Please call the Traveling Owls at 713-34-TRIPS (87477) or email travelingowls@rice.edu if you have questions.

“The Gohagan staff really nailed the logistics for our trip! Everything ran smoothly and seemingly effortlessly from our viewpoint. I was very impressed! The staff on the tour went out of their way to make sure we had everything we needed.”
— Rice alums, class of ’73 & ’74, on a recent Traveling Owls trip operated by Gohagan & Company.

Cover: Rocamadour has beckoned visitors and pilgrims alike to its summit above a tributary of the Dordogne River.

In medieval Dordogne, street lamps along ancient lanes are one of the few concessions to modernity.
Itinerary

Day
Pre-Program Bordeaux® Option* or
1 Depart the U.S.
2 Bordeaux, France/Sarlat-la-Canéda
   ◦ Transfer to Sarlat to check into the Plaza Madeleine Hôtel.
3 Sarlat-la-Canéda
   ◦ Walking tour of medieval Sarlat.
   ◦ Cultural Enrichment:
      ♦ Afternoon at leisure to peruse the village market of Sarlat.
4 Rocamadour®/Souillac
   ◦ Tour of 13th-century Rocamadour.
   ◦ Visit to quaint Souillac.
5 Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil®/L'Abri du Cap-Blanc®
   ◦ Visit to the Jardins d'Eyrignac.
   ◦ Cultural Enrichments:
      ♦ Tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies.
      ♦ View cave friezes of L'Abri du Cap-Blanc.
      ♦ Sarlat Village Life® Forum.
6 Lascaux/Saint-Amand-de-Coly
   ◦ Visit to Saint-Amand-de-Coly.
   ◦ Cultural Enrichments:
      ♦ View prehistoric cave art of Lascaux.
      ♦ Lecture on the preservation of medieval architecture in Sarlat.
      ♦ Sample local wine and cheese pairings.
7 Rouffignac®/La Madeleine®
   ◦ Morning at leisure to enjoy individual pursuits in Sarlat such as their old-world twice-weekly market.
   ◦ Tour of prehistoric Rouffignac cave.
   ◦ Excursion to the prehistoric troglodyte village of La Madeleine.
   ◦ Private evening folk music performance and dance.
8 Beynac/Domme
   ◦ Tour of 12th-century Château de Beynac.
   ◦ Walking tour of historic Domme.
   ◦ Cultural Enrichment:
      ♦ Cruise in a typical gabare on the bucolic Dordogne River.
9 Sarlat-la-Canéda/Bordeaux
   ◦ Return to the U.S. or Post-Program Albi®/Toulouse Option*
   *Available at additional cost.

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Enjoy your 19th-century wooden gabare cruise on the Dordogne River.
Sarlat-la-Canéda

Author Henry Miller called Sarlat “the Frenchman’s paradise.” Your charming “village home” is in the pre-French Revolutionary capital of Périgord Noir, a lushly forested corner of the Aquitaine region, ideally located between the Dordogne and Vézère Rivers. It is a bon vivant’s dream, renowned for truffles, wild mushrooms, strawberries, walnuts and duck, and Bordeaux’s finest wines directly from vintners’ cellars.

Sarlat has one of Europe’s greatest concentrations of medieval, Renaissance and 17th-century façades. Meander through cobblestone streets illuminated by gas lamps and lined with Renaissance-style stone houses crowned with pepperpot chimneys. See the artful blend of flamboyant and subdued styles, evident in the architecture of the townhouse of writer and philosopher Étienne la Boétie. Experience the heart of Sarlat’s Place de la Liberté, where every Wednesday and Saturday one of France’s most storied markets is held, a tradition dating from the Middle Ages.

Cultural Enrichments: During the course of the program, immerse yourself in the joie de vivre of Sarlat. Experience the market at leisure among the backdrop of corbelled towers and rich ocher walls.

Meet dordognais (local residents) in the Village Life® Forum, and hear candid perspectives on contemporary daily life in a medieval village. Attend the private, specially arranged presentation by a local expert on preserving Sarlat’s medieval architecture. Enjoy a private, 19th-century-style French folk music and lively dance performance. Sample regional cheese and wine in a specialty épicerie.

Savor authentic French cuisine during two specially arranged dinners, each in a bistro in Sarlat.

Rocamadour/Souillac

Built on the face of a sheer 400-foot cliff, the UNESCO World Heritage-designated village of Rocamadour has one of the most dramatic settings of any village in the world. During the Middle Ages, pilgrims flocked here from across Europe to perform penance by ascending the 216 steps of le Grand Escalier (the Grand Stairway) on their knees seeking miracles from St. Amadour by visiting his crypt. Embedded in the cliff above the doorway to the Chapelle de Notre Dame is the sword said to be that of the heroic knight Roland.

Nearby, visit the quaint town of Souillac and its 12th-century Abbaye Sainte-Marie, a treasury of Romanesque statuary and Biblical carvings.

Cultural Enrichment: Savor a lunch of regional specialties in a village restaurant.

Jardins d’Eyrignac

Designated a national monument, the Eyrignac Manor has been the continuous family residence of 22 generations spanning over 500 years. On this 17th-century estate located just outside of Sarlat, view what many consider the finest jardins (gardens) in all of France. Originally an 18th-century Italian design, the landscape was converted a century later to an English-style, coniferous garden and has been immaculately manicured since that time to preserve the exquisite topiary patterns.

Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil

France’s capital of prehistoric humanity, Les Eyzies, is home to unprecedented fossils of Early Modern Man. Approximately 35,000 years old, the fossils here are some of the earliest known evidence of human life in Europe.

Cultural Enrichments: The guided tour of the National Museum of Prehistory, housed in a 13th-century castle, contextualizes the area’s cave paintings, fossils and early tools.

See L’Abri du Cap-Blanc’s UNESCO World Heritage-designated prehistoric cave friezes.

Lascaux

In 1920, a quartet of schoolboys stumbled onto the Lascaux cave, repository of the most stunning works of prehistoric art and today a UNESCO World Heritage site.
Cultural Enrichment: Explore the perfect reproduction in the International Center for Cave Art at Lascaux, where the Paleolithic age becomes animated through interactive exhibits.

Villages of the Périgord Noir
Petit Saint-Amand-de-Coly, one of the most beautiful villages in France, is dominated by the 13th-century abbey church, an unusual fusion of Romanesque and Gothic styles. Traces of the Hundred Years’ War remain in the ramparts and towers of the fortress-like church and the remnants of its abbey.


Carved beneath a cliff overlooking the serene Vézère River, the prehistoric troglodyte village and UNESCO World Heritage site of La Madeleine offers unique insight into the semi-nomadic Magdalenian culture, which prevailed in southern Europe from 15,000 to 9000 B.C.

Château de Beynac
The fortified Château de Beynac, perched 500 feet above the Dordogne River, commands a medieval village of golden stone houses tucked into the steep hillside. This masterpiece of medieval military engineering was once a stronghold of Richard the Lionheart. Traverse its elaborate series of stone walls, parapet walks, watchtowers and passageways to an eclectic interior decorated with a magnificent 17th-century staircase and delicate 15th-century frescoes.

Cultural Enrichment: Cruise the tranquil Dordogne River aboard a private 19th-century gabare, traditional Périgord transportation for more than 150 years, followed by a lunch of Périgord specialties in a local restaurant overlooking the river.

Domme
Among the “most beautiful villages” of France, Domme is an authentic medieval bastide, or fortified village. Enter through its original ramparts and see graffiti etched by the Knights Templar on the inner village walls. The beauty of the 13th- and 14th-century architecture of Domme is surpassed only by its exceptional views overlooking the Dordogne River.

Visit the emblematic Château de Beynac occupied by the French during the Hundred Years’ War, built on a rocky cliff to dominate the Dordogne River Valley.
Plaza Madeleine Hôtel, Sarlat-la-Canéda

Enjoy the traditional pace of Village Life® during your stay in the family-owned Plaza Madeleine Hôtel, located just beyond the ancient walls of Sarlat-la-Canéda’s medieval quarter, a mere five-minute walk from the village center. A grand 19th-century townhouse, this hôtel de charme has been renovated with tasteful French esprit contemporain.

Each of the 39 comfortable, air-conditioned guest rooms features two twin beds or one queen bed with private bathroom, individual climate control, satellite television, phone, Wi-Fi access, safe, minibar and hair dryer.

The hotel dining room, where continental breakfast is served daily, featuring fresh baked breads, pastries and charcuterie, is reserved for the exclusive use of hotel guests. There is a brasserie pub with lounge and private terrace, a petit lounge with computer facilities and Wi-Fi access, a heated outdoor swimming pool, solarium and spa with Jacuzzi and sauna. The dedicated hotel staff is pleased to provide attentive service.

Marvel at the exquisite artistry and ingenuity found in the stories of the prehistoric paintings in Lascaux.

Prehistoric Art

You will find the world’s greatest concentration of prehistoric art sites not found elsewhere in the enchanting département of Dordogne. Limestone caves and rocky overhangs here provided Ice Age man with shelter and a vast canvas for extraordinary paintings. In Lascaux and Rouffignac, the two most well-known caves, both UNESCO World Heritage sites, the extinct aurochs, wild stallions and antelopes painted approximately 25,000 to 17,000 years ago still prance, preen and gallop before your eyes. The original Lascaux cave has been closed to the public since 1963 for preservation purposes; yet, the incredible replica in the International Center for Cave Art at Lascaux allows the public to experience these riveting cave paintings interactively, providing a realistic, stimulating representation of the vibrant colors now faded in the original.

The Rouffignac cave offers up-close views of deft prehistoric drawings covering the six-mile gallery of cavernous walls and ceilings, including the famous frieze of two bison ready to engage each other in battle.

Near the village of Les Eyzies, visit the original Cro-Magnon rock shelter and UNESCO World Heritage site of L’Abri du Cap-Blanc, showcasing the rare, life-size frieze of horses and bison sculpted in limestone. A guided tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies helps put this vast network of prehistoric art into context.
Included Features

In Sarlat-la-Canéda
◆ Seven nights in the charming family-owned Plaza Madeleine Hôtel.
◆ Private Welcome Reception in the hotel.
◆ Breakfast each morning, one lunch and two dinners in the hotel.
◆ Two dinners, each in a specially selected traditional French bistro featuring French country table d’hôte menus and regional specialties.
◆ Regional wine served with each included dinner.

Expert-Guided Excursions and Exclusive Cultural Enrichments
◆ Architectural walking tour of Sarlat-la-Canéda.
◆ Admire the magnificent Romanesque sculptures in Souillac’s Abbaye Marie.
◆ Visit to the lush, impeccably maintained 19th-century Jardins d’Eyrignac.
◆ Tour of the National Museum of Prehistory in Les Eyzies-de-Tayac-Sireuil.
◆ A lecture on architectural preservation in Sarlat-la-Canéda by a local historian.
◆ Local wine and cheese tasting at a Sarlat épicerie gourmet.
◆ Visit to the medieval village and fortified church of Saint-Amand-de-Coly.
◆ Private 19th-century Périgord cultural folk performance.
◆ Tour of the medieval Château de Beynac.
◆ Private, specially arranged gabare cruise along the Dordogne River, with lunch in the village of Beynac-et-Cazenac.
◆ Walking tour of Domme, with spectacular views of the Dordogne River Valley.
◆ Specially arranged meals highlighting the distinctive flavors of the Dordogne region.
◆ French language introduction.

UNESCO World Heritage Site Highlights
◆ Excursion to 13th-century Rocamadour.
◆ Excursion to see the cave friezes of L’Abri du Cap-Blanc.
◆ Viewing of the prehistoric cave art of Lascaux.
◆ Visit to the prehistoric troglodyte village of La Madeleine.
◆ Visit to the impressive Rouffignac cave.

Always Included
◆ Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s).
◆ Experienced, English-speaking local guides for included excursions.
◆ Gratuities to hotel personnel and to local guides and drivers on included excursions.
◆ Complimentary bottled water provided on motorcoaches during excursions.
◆ Hospitality desk in the hotel.
◆ Experienced Gohagan & Company Program Director at your service.
◆ Complimentary use of an audio headset during guided excursions.
◆ Automatic $250,000 flight insurance policy for each participant ticketed on flights by Gohagan & Company.
Splendors of Bordeaux
Saint-Émilion • Médoc
Pre-Program Option
Long distinguished as the wine capital of the world, France’s verdant Bordeaux region has been growing, fermenting and bottling the grape since the eighth century. Tucked away in the heart of rolling countryside and endless vineyards, visit the charming village of Saint-Émilion, a UNESCO World Heritage Site famous for growing the Merlot grape. Its medieval Église Monolithe is one of the largest underground churches in Europe. Just north of Bordeaux in the Médoc region, visit a château to enjoy a tasting of distinguished grand cru classé wines. Spend two nights in the deluxe Hôtel Burdigala, in the heart of Bordeaux.

Albi • Toulouse
Cordes-sur-Ciel • Carcassonne
Post-Program Option
The cobblestone towns of southwest France showcase the region’s storybook charm. Experience the classic refinements and medieval allure of Cordes-sur-Ciel, Albi, Carcassonne and Toulouse on this four-night Post-Program itinerary. Sample Gaillac wines in the lovely Château Bouscaillous; explore cherished cathedrals and old-world villages; admire the largest collection of Toulouse-Lautrec’s works; and enjoy the incomparable scenery of the South of France. Accommodations are for two nights each in the deluxe Mercure Albi Bastides hotel and the Grand Hôtel de l’Opéra in Toulouse.

The Pre-Program and Post-Program Options are available at additional cost. Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

Visit the historic cité de Carcassonne is an excellent example of a medieval fortified town.
See the French Châteaux de Castel amongst hilltop castles and quaint villages in the Dordogne River Valley.

**LAND TARIFF excluding taxes**

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Singles are available upon request for an additional $700.*

*Note: Airfare is subject to change and availability and is nonrefundable.

**DORDOGNE RESERVATION FORM**

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Program reservations require a deposit of $600 per person and $200 per person Splendors of Bordeaux Pre-Program Option and/or $200 per person Albi • Toulouse Post-Program Option. By reserving and depositing on this program, I/we agree to the Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement as printed on the outside back cover of this brochure.

- Enclosed is my/our check(s) for $__________ as deposit.
- Make checks payable to Gohagan & Company.
- I/We authorize you to charge my/our deposit of $__________ to:
  - Visa
  - MasterCard

**Card Number**

Signature as it appears on credit card

**ALL FINAL PAYMENTS are required to be made by check or wire transfer by June 14, 2019.**

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Therefore, having read and understood the above, as well as the schedule of activities for this tour and the Responsibility statement appearing on this brochure, the undersigned hereby agrees for and on behalf of himself, his dependents, heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, to release and hold harmless the Association of Rice Alumni and Rice University and any of their respective officers, agents, licensees, or representatives from any and all liability for delays, injuries, or death, or for the loss of, or damage to, his property however occurring during any portion of, or in relation to the tour.

Signature __________________ Date __________________

If the application is made for, or by, a person under 21 years of age, both parents or the applicant’s guardian must also sign the application.

Signature __________________ Date __________________
Enjoy the Old Town in medieval Sarlat, while the romantic ambiance of France fills the twilight air.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND BINDING ARBITRATION AGREEMENT

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Gohagan reserves the right to change the itinerary or trip features at any time and for any reason, with or without notice, and Gohagan shall not be liable for any loss of any kind as a result of any such changes. Ship schedules, port calls, hours of arrival and departure, sightseeing events, special programs and games are subject to change or cancellation without notice. And, Gohagan reserves the right to substitute motorcoach transportation using hotels, railroads, airlines, buses or any other form of transportation if necessary due to weather, water conditions or levels, other events of force majeure, mechanical or other failure of transportation, airline, vessel, or other transportation companies, guides or guide services, local ground operators, providers or organizers of optional excursions, food service or entertainment providers, etc. All such persons and entities are independent contractors. As a result, Gohagan is not liable for any negligent or willful act or omission of any such person or entity or of any other third party.

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If due to weather, flight schedules or other uncontrollable factors, you are required to spend an additional night(s), you will be responsible for your own hotel, transfers and meal costs. Baggage is entirely at owner’s risk. The right is reserved to substitute participants for any participant(s) who is unable to complete a trip, without refund, any person Gohagan judges to be incapable of meeting the rigors or requirements of participating in the activities, or who Gohagan determines to detract from the enjoyment of the trip by others. Your airline ticket constitutes a contract between you and the airline, even if purchased through Gohagan.

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CANCELLATIONS: Cancellations for all or any part of the trip including Pre/Post Program(s) reservation(s) will not be effective until received in writing in the offices of Gohagan. Should you have to cancel, the following terms will apply: reservation cancellation(s) are subject to a $200 ($300 Pre/Post Program(s)) per person administrative fee from the time of booking through 120 days prior to departure; from 95 through 119 days prior to departure, $600 ($200 Pre/Post Program(s)) per person; from 45 through 94 days prior to departure, 50% of the published full regular tariffs; from 22 through 44 days prior to departure, 75% of the published full regular tariffs; cancellations 21 days or less prior to departure, a no-show, or early return from the trip will result in forfeit of 100% of the published full regular tariffs. In addition, any applicable airline cancellation fees, optional excursion cancellation fees and administrative fees may apply.

TRIP INSURANCE: We strongly recommend that you purchase trip cancellation insurance. In the event that you must cancel your participation in a travel program, trip cancellation insurance may be the only source of reimbursement. Trip cancellation insurance is available for comprehensive coverage of such expenses in conjunction with cancellation due to illness or accident, and damaged or lost luggage. We will send you an application upon request. If you do not purchase trip cancellation insurance, Gohagan is not responsible for any costs incurred due to changes in supplier costs, currency fluctuations or fuel or energy surcharges. In the event such increases are to be paid to Gohagan upon notice to the trip participant of such increases. On programs which include Gohagan purchased interstate or international air (which originates or returns to the United States), no increased costs will be passed on after final payment except for subsequently imposed governmental tax increases.

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT: By forwarding of deposit, the participant certifies that he/she does not have any mental, physical or other condition of disability that would create a hazard for him/herself or other participants and accepts the terms contained in this Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Binding Arbitration Agreement.

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