The Paris of Thomas Jefferson
A CUSTOM SEMINAR WITH ANNETTE GORDON-REED
May 20–27, 2018

This custom-designed travel program has been created uniquely for:

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Harvard Alumni Association
Led by historian and author Annette Gordon-Reed, immerse yourself in late 18th-century Paris and trace the footsteps of Thomas Jefferson, Sally Hemings, and other early Americans, reliving their encounters and triumphs, and visiting the places that inspired them.

During the very formative years of the United States of America, many of our Founding Fathers found themselves thousands of miles from home in Paris, France. Their subtle diplomacy to the French court was key in obtaining military support and, later, helping our new nation gain a solid footing on the international scene. Perhaps foremost among these leaders was Thomas Jefferson, who spent five years in the City of Lights, mostly as American Minister to France. Jefferson was in Paris at a fascinating and volatile time, with the winds of reform buffeting the ancient royal court, although few imagined the cataclysmic events of the French Revolution that were just around the corner. While in Paris, Jefferson exchanged ideas with preeminent French thinkers and experts about political economy, the fine arts, agriculture, trade, and fine food and wine. Thomas Jefferson spent a great amount of time with his daughters Martha and Mary, as well as with James and Sally Hemings.

This unique tour allows alumni and friends of Dartmouth College and Harvard University to experience the Paris in which Jefferson, Hemings, and their early American contemporaries lived—tracing their footsteps, reliving their encounters and triumphs, retelling personal anecdotes in the very places they occurred and visiting the places that inspired them. Intelligent excursions take us to key places in the Parisian stays of our early diplomats—Versailles, the Hôtel de Salm, the palace where the Treaty of Paris was signed ending the Revolutionary War, even the locations of the homes of Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, and John Paul Jones. With two specialized lectures by Annette Gordon-Reed and custom-created tours meant to further enhance your learning, you will be immersed in late 18th-century Paris and the complexity of the Jefferson/Hemings relationship, all the while enjoying beautiful five-star hotel accommodations and memorable meals.
STUDY LEADER

Annette Gordon-Reed
Author, professor, and alumna of Dartmouth and Harvard Law School

Annette Gordon-Reed is the Charles Warren Professor of American Legal History at Harvard Law School and a Professor of History in the Faculty of Arts and Sciences at Harvard University, and formerly the Carol K. Pforzheimer Professor at the Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study (2010-2016) and the Harold Vyvyan Harmsworth Visiting Professor of American History at Queen's College, University of Oxford (2014-2015). She won the Pulitzer Prize in History in 2009 for *The Hemingses of Monticello: An American Family* (W.W. Norton, 2009), a subject she had previously written about in *Thomas Jefferson and Sally Hemings: An American Controversy* (University Press of Virginia, 1997). She is also the author of *Andrew Johnson* (Times Books/Henry Holt, 2010). Her most recently published book (with Peter S. Onuf) is “Most Blessed of the Patriarchs”: *Thomas Jefferson and the Empire of the Imagination* (Liveright Publishing, 2016). Her honors include a fellowship from the Dorothy and Lewis B. Cullman Center for Scholars and Writers at the New York Public Library, a Guggenheim Fellowship in the humanities, a MacArthur Fellowship, the National Humanities Medal, the National Book Award, and the Woman of Power & Influence Award from the National Organization for Women in New York City. Gordon-Reed was elected a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences in 2011 and is a member of the Academy’s Commission on the Humanities and Social Sciences.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Immerse yourself in Jefferson’s Parisian experience on a walking tour of the city’s timeless Left Bank and learn about the buildings that inspired Jefferson’s own designs.
- Step inside the Royal Chapel at Versailles and gain special access to the palace’s private Royal Chambers.
- Discover an outstanding collection of old and rare books, as well as maps dating back to the late 1700s at the city of Versailles’ historic library.
- Explore the artists of Jefferson’s era during a focused tour of the Louvre Museum.
- Dine on the Seine, pairing a delicious meal with splendid views of old Paris.
- Leave the bustling city to enjoy an exclusive private luncheon within the interiors of the historic Château de la Roche-Guyon, where Jefferson was received several times.
- Gather for a wonderful evening reception and meet with local alumni.
Sunday, May 20, 2018

Departures from the U.S.
Depart on independent flights to Paris.

Monday, May 21, 2018

Welcome to Paris
Upon arrival at Paris’ Charles de Gaulle (CDG) International Airport, transfer independently to the five-star Hotel Regina, a beautiful just-renovated historic luxury hotel with a perfect location on the Tuileries Gardens and a view on the Louvre. After an independent lunch, set out on an optional afternoon tour to the Père Lachaise Cemetery, where the Marquis de Lafayette is buried. Before returning to the hotel, enjoy a guided walk through the Jardins des Plantes, formerly known as the Jardins du Roi where Thomas Jefferson met Andre Thouin, the director of the garden. Upon his return to America, Jefferson and Thouin corresponded regularly to share their passion for plants as well as hundreds of species of seeds. This evening, gather for a delicious welcome dinner paired with wonderful views of Paris aboard a private boat on the Seine.

Hotel Regina (D)

Tuesday, May 22, 2018

Paris’ Left Bank
This morning join your study leader, Professor Annette Gordon-Reed, in one of the Hotel Regina’s conference rooms for the first of two lectures. In the late morning, immerse yourself in Jefferson’s Parisian experience with a custom-designed walking tour of the city’s timeless Left Bank. It was in this quarter that Jefferson studied new architectural designs that would later influence his own. Some of the highlights along the Seine include exterior views of the Legion of Honor and the Hôtel de York, where the Treaty of Paris was signed. Break for lunch at le Procope, a café that was already historic when Jefferson began dining there during his years in Paris. Resume your walk and learn more about the political climate of the time and the relationship between the Latin Quarter and the French Revolution. Enjoy the remainder of the afternoon and evening at leisure.

Hotel Regina (B, L)

Wednesday, May 23, 2018

The Right Bank & the Louvre
This morning attend Dr. Gordon-Reed’s second lecture in one of the hotel’s conference rooms. Walk in the footsteps of our Founding Fathers with a guided tour of some of the statues, plaques, and important monuments that commemorate the presence of Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin on the city’s Right Bank. After a delicious lunch at a traditional Parisian Brasserie, enjoy an independent afternoon. At 6:30 p.m., gather for a special visit to the Louvre Museum (open late tonight with fewer visitors than usual) that will focus on the artists of Jefferson’s era, including portrait busts of George Washington and Benjamin Franklin by Houdon, and paintings that tell the story of France during the time leading up to the Revolution. Dinner and the remainder of the evening are at leisure.

Hotel Regina (B, L)
Thursday, May 24, 2018

**Versailles**

During an in-depth tour of the Versailles palace complex, learn about the royal court that dominated Parisian high culture during Jefferson’s time. Go behind closed doors and gain special access to private chambers and the Royal Chapel. Stop for lunch in the grand gardens of Versailles. This afternoon, step inside the city of Versailles’ historic library, the former Foreign Ministry office that Jefferson visited while in France. This library holds an outstanding collection of old and rare books, as well as maps dating back to the late 1700s. Return to Paris for an independent evening.

_Hotel Regina (B, L)_

Friday, May 25, 2018

**La Roche-Guyon & Giverny**

Begin at the historic Château de la Roche-Guyon for a guided tour of the property, followed by an exclusive private luncheon within the historic interiors of the old palace. The Duc de la Rochefoucauld, who lived in the château, received both Franklin and Jefferson several times. In the afternoon, head to nearby Giverny, Monet’s famous estate, for a lovely walk in the gardens and a guided tour of the museum’s beautiful collection. Return to Paris in the late afternoon. This evening, gather for a cocktail reception hosted by local alumni. Enjoy a delicious dinner in company of fellow travelers.

_Hotel Regina (B, L, R, D)_

Saturday, May 26, 2018

**Marly & the Désert de Retz**

This morning, drive to the Château de Marly estate. Although the main house is now gone, the extravagant garden layout is still largely intact. It has been argued that Marly greatly influenced Jefferson’s design of the University of Virginia. Head to nearby Désert de Retz, a French landscape garden created at the end of the 18th century that lies on the edge of the Marly forest. Several structures reminiscent of classical antiquity were built to evoke columns in ruin, adding to the romantic imagery more commonly associated with English gardens. Jefferson visited the Désert de Retz, a very different design than the gardens found at Versailles. Upon returning to Paris, pass the still-existent Adams compound in Auteuil and the location of Franklin’s former home. Enjoy the remainder of the afternoon for an independent late lunch and sightseeing on your own. This evening, join fellow travelers for a splendid farewell dinner at one of Paris’ great restaurants.

_Hotel Regina (B, D)_

Sunday, May 27, 2018

**Return to the U.S.**

After breakfast take an independent transfer to Charles de Gaulle International Airport for independent return flights to the U.S.

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TERMS & CONDITIONS

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PROGRAM COST INCLUSIONS: Six nights’ accommodations in the five-star Hotel Regina in Paris, meals per the itinerary: breakfast daily, four lunches, three dinners; one reception; wine or beer with each lunch and dinner, plus mineral water, soft drinks in room, coffee, and tea; entrance fees to all sites listed in the itinerary; land transportation by private air-conditioned motor coach per itinerary; expert, local English-speaking guides and services of ISDI tour manager; luggage handling two bags per person upon arrival and departure at the hotels; gratuities for guides and drivers: complete pre-tour documentation and materials; $200,000 emergency medical evacuation insurance.

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