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# **Springtime in Provence & Burgundy**

on Amadeus Provence May 6-14, 2020 with **Sue Weaver Schopf** 





The 12th-century Saint Bénezet was said to have been endowed with the strength to lay the stones of the Pont d'Avignon in the Rhône River with his own hands.

#### Join us for this exclusive, nine-day French sojourn through

Provence and the wine regions of Burgundy and Beaujolais in May, the best time of year to visit, when the region's famous flora radiates throughout the timeless French countryside. Cruise for seven nights round trip from historic Lyon along the fabled Rivers Rhône and Saône aboard the deluxe, exclusively chartered AMADEUS PROVENCE.

Dock in the heart of each port town and visit six UNESCO World Heritage sites, including the Roman city of Orange, the medieval papal palace of Avignon, and the wonderfully preserved Roman amphitheater in Arles.

Visit the Burgundy region where the hallowed *climats* of Beaune surround alluring medieval streets. Tour the legendary 15th-century Hôtel-Dieu, famous for its Gothic architecture, and discover flourishing Lyon, France's *gastronomique* gateway. Enjoy an excursion to the Beaujolais vineyards for a private tour, world-class piano concert, and wine tasting at the Château Montmelas.

Experience Avignon, one of Europe's great cultural centers, and authentic Arles, where stone houses and colorful market stalls are bathed in the region's signature golden light. Admire the Pont du Gard aqueduct, a true masterpiece of ancient architecture.

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#### A LITTLE MORE TO IT

Many of the cities and towns being visited were founded centuries ago, and the terrain is rugged. Therefore, a fair amount of walking along narrow cobblestone streets, stone floors or uneven and/or slippery terrain and climbing several flights of stairs (some without railings) is to be expected. Walking excursions often cover distances of at least one mile/1.6 km and are approximately three hours in length. Please be advised that the ship may either dock in port or tender ashore by small boat.

#### TO BOOK A TRIP, CALL 800-422-1636 OR VISIT ALUMNI.HARVARD.EDU/TRAVEL

# Study Leaders



**Sue Weaver Schopf** is Distinguished Service Lecturer in Extension at Harvard University. She recently retired from the position of

Associate Dean and Director of the Master of Liberal Arts Program at the Harvard Extension School, where she also served for nearly 30 years as research advisor in the humanities. A recipient of multiple fellowships and teaching awards, Schopf teaches writing-intensive literature courses on topics as far ranging as English romantic poetry, Victorian poetry, nonfictional prose, modern poetry, literary criticism and theory, Western drama, Milton and Paradise Lost, Irish literature, Orientalism in British literature, and visual culture. Schopf has lectured on nearly 40 Harvard trips and is greatly looking forward to visiting the Provence region again.



At the confluence of the Rhône and Saône Rivers, enjoy magnificent views of Lyon as your cruise commences.

# Schedule by Day

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, MAY 6 AND 7

#### U.S. / Lyon, France

Depart the U.S. for Lyon, a captivating city at the confluence of the Rhône and Saône Rivers, and embark the deluxe AMADEUS PROVENCE.

This evening, attend the Captain's welcome reception. (R,D)

#### FRIDAY, MAY 8

#### Tournus for Beaune / Mâcon for Beaujolais

Amidst an idyllic countryside, Beaune, founded in the fifth century B.C., is the longtime capital of Burgundy wines. This historic city and its surrounding vineyards and cultural landscape comprise a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Tour the legendary Burgundian Renaissance-style Hôtel-Dieu, a charitable hospital since the Middle Ages and one of the finest examples of 15th-century French architecture, lauded for its polychrome Flemish tiled roof and Gothic turrets. Inside, see the Salle des Malades (hospital wards) and view the masterpiece polyptych of *The Last Judgement* by 15th-century Flemish painter Rogier van der Weyden. Enjoy time at leisure in Beaune. This afternoon, continue to Beaujolais, located along the banks of the Saône River. This internationally acclaimed wine region has been known to produce more red wine than the Burgundy vineyards of Chablis, Côte d'Or, Côte Châlonnaise, and Mâconnais combined.

Visit the 10th-century Château de Montmelas where a member of the family will greet you upon arrival and guide your exclusive tour. Enjoy a private, specially arranged performance of fortepiano music by an internationally recognized pianist living in Burgundy, accompanied by a wine tasting and local canapés. (B,L,D)

SATURDAY, MAY 9

#### Lyon

Experience charming Lyon, a UNESCO World Heritage site, during an early morning sightseeing tour. From lofty Fourvière Colline (Praving Hill), enjoy views of the neo-Byzantine Basilique Notre-Dame-de-Fourvière, the symbol of Lyon. Walk the tree-lined streets of the restored Vieux (Old) Lyon, where Gothic and Renaissance mansions attest to the wealth of Lyon's long-standing silk industry. Stroll through the ancient guarter of Saint-Jean and its unique traboules-tunneled passageways that sheltered silk-weavers as they moved their delicate wares. (B,L,D)

#### SUNDAY, MAY 10

#### Avignon

Built on the banks of the Rhône and ringed by low medieval walls, the ancient city of Avignon is a UNESCO World Heritage site. The city formed the axis of Western Christendom from 1309, when Pope Clement V moved the papal capital here, until the Great Schism with Rome in 1378.



The first-century Pont du Gard aqueduct was built with 55,550 tons of limestone blocks.

Tour the grandiose Palais des Papes (papal palace), the largest château-fort built in Europe during the Gothic era and the primary testament to Avignon's golden age.

At the river's edge, see the remaining four arches of the 12th-century Pont Saint-Bénezet (Pont d'Avignon), the only bridge built across the Rhône during the Middle Ages and an exceptional example of medieval fortifications. (B,L,D)





Famous for its colorful, intricate glazed-tile roof, the Hôtel-Dieu in Beaune was built as a charitable hospital and today houses a museum.

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#### MONDAY, MAY 11

#### Arles

One of France's loveliest towns, this archetypal Provencal city is unmatched in its *joie de vivre* and is home to one of the most maiestic collections of UNESCO World Heritage-designated Roman monuments. Originally a Celtic settlement. Arles became the Roman capital of Gaul, Britain, and Spain. At the heart of the city, visit the magnificently restored amphitheater, built in the first-century B.C. for 20,000-spectators and the 12th-century Église Saint-Trophime, a former cathedral known for its Last Judgment-themed portal, a fascinating example of Romanesque sculpture. The city's colorful houses inspired van Gogh, who produced over 200 works during his 14-month stay in 1888, including The Sunflowers and The Café Terrace at Night—the café on Place du Forum is still open to the public. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure. (B,L,D)

#### TUESDAY, MAY 12

#### Châteauneuf-du-Pape for Orange and Pont du Gard

In Orange, admire the Roman city's UNESCO World Heritage sites—visit the ancient Roman Theater, the best preserved Roman theater in the world and dominated by a colossal stage wall with an ornate façade embellished with columns, doorways, and niches; the theater still hosts performances today. See the Triumphal Arch, built in the late first century in testimony to Augustus Caesar and Roman imperial glory.

Visit the UNESCO World Heritage-designated Pont du Gard, an exquisitely built 2,000-year-old Roman aqueduct triumphed as one of Europe's most impressive archaeological sites. The 31 mile aqueduct once supplied over nine million gallons of water daily to the city of Nîmes and is hailed for its 82-foot arch gap, one of the largest spans in the Roman world. (B,L,D) WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

#### Vienne

Located at a scenic bend in the Rhône River, Vienne features a trove of architectural treasures. See the pristinely preserved Temple d'Auguste et de Livie, with striking Corinthian columns, and the Théâtre Romain, a beautifully restored amphitheater at the foot of Mont Pipet. The town's most notable medieval landmark, constructed between the 12th and 16th centuries, is the Romanesque-Gothic Cathédrale de Saint-Maurice. Enjoy a specially arranged Valrhona chocolate and wine tasting with a well-known French oenologist on board the ship.

Attend the Captain's farewell reception this evening. (B,L,R,D)

THURSDAY, MAY 14

#### Lyon / U.S.

Disembark in Lyon and transfer to the airport for the return flight to the U.S. (B)

# What is Included:

- Expert insights from lecturer Sue Weaver Schopf
- Seven-night cruise abord the Amadeus Provence
- Elegantly appointed, deluxe suite or stateroom
- Complimentary wine and beer served at lunch and dinner
- Complimentary Wi-Fi access (conditions permitting)
- All activities, excursions, entrance fees, and meals per detailed itinerary

- Taxes and gratuities to ship personnel, guides, and drivers
- Complimentary bottled water in your suite or stateroom and during excursions
- Services of a tour manager throughout the program
- Transfers and luggage handling abroad if your arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s)
- \$200,000 emergency medical evacuation insurance





e architecture reflects its history as a vital port on the Italy to Spain.

#### Visit breathtaking Mont Blanc, the backdrop of Chamonix, a lovely French village along the banks of the Alpine River Arve, on the Pre-Cruise Option.

#### **Geneva and the French Alps**

**PRE-CRUISE OPTION** 

\$1,595 per person, double occupancy \$2,295 per person, single occupancy

Delight in the mountainous beauty of the Savoie Mont-Blanc region at the convergence of France, Switzerland, and Italy. Visit the world-class city of Geneva, ideally located on the crystalline shores of the largest lake on the course of the Rhône, fed by the waters flowing through the valleys of the Swiss Alps. Enjoy a specially arranged tour of the interior chambers of the Palais des Nations, a United Nations headquarters.

Explore the picturesque French village of Chamonix, the historic capital of Alpine skiing and host of the first Winter Olympic Games in 1924. Savor lunch in a charming Chamonix restaurant before boarding the famous Montenvers cog railway train to the legendary Mer de Glace (Sea of Ice), the largest glacier in France and its La Grotte. Here, the Ice Cave allows you to walk right into the heart of the four-mile-long glacier (conditions permitting).

Enjoy a visit to Annecy, the "Venice of the Alps," for a guided walking tour. This medieval town is noted for its cystal-clear canals, pastel-toned houses, and old-world ambiance. Accommodations are for three nights in the deluxe, centrally located HOTEL BRISTOL GENEVE.

Details will be provided with your reservation confirmation.

# Trip Sampling

#### LAND & RAIL

**Budapest And Central Europe on Golden Eagle Danube Express (With New** Year's in Vienna) DEC 28, 2019-JAN 5, 2020 Jeffrey Frieden

Village Life in Dordogne MAY 14-22, 2020

#### **CRUISES**

**Expedition To Antarctica On Le BORÉAL** JAN 15-28, 2020 James Salzman

**Southern Africa Adventure ON ZAMBEZI QUEEN** MARCH 12 - 28, 2020 Leeanne & Alfonso Alonso

**Ancient Empires: Rome to Malta** on Le Bougainville MAY 24- JUN 1. 2020 **Daniel Donoghue** 

Scottish Isles & Norway's Fjords on Le Champlain MAY 30- JUN 7. 2020 Lizabeth Cohen & Herrick Chapman

**Cruising Alaska's Glaciers & The Inside** Passage on LE SOLÉAL JUL 29-AUG 5, 2020 Harvey Fineberg & Mary Wilson

**Trade Routes of Coastal Iberia** on Le Jacques Cartier OCT 3-11, 2020 Allen Callahan

Island Life: Greek Islands on Le Bougainville OCT 8-16, 2020

#### **RIVERS & LAKES**

Passage of The Danube River on **AMADEUS SILVER II (Featuring Bavaria &** The Oberammergau Passion Play) JUN 21-JUL 1, 2020

**Great Journey Through Europe:** The Rhine River and Switzerland JUL 17-27, 2020 Christie Macdonald

**Danube River: Vienna To The Black Sea ON AMADEUS QUEEN** OCT 4-16, 2020 **Thomas Forrest Kelly** 

#### **FAMILY ADVENTURES:**

Greece Family Odyssey: The Peloponnese on RUNNING ON WAVES JUN 18-27, 2020 James Simpson



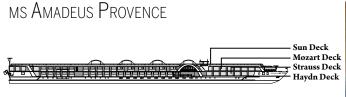
















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The deluxe AMADEUS PROVENCE is the hallmark of Lueftner Cruises' Amadeus fleet. This exclusively chartered, high-quality river vessel features the comforts of a refined and traditional hotel, including complimentary Wi-Fi access (conditions permitting).

The 70 stylish staterooms and suites are among the most spacious of any European river ship (172 to 284 square feet). Suites include a private balcony, and select staterooms feature a unique floor-to-ceiling window that lowers to French-balcony height at the touch of a button. Accommodations have two twin beds or one queen bed, individual climate control, a private bathroom with shower and hair dryer, walk-in closet, telephone, writing desk, sitting area, and a safe. Most have a minibar.

The delightful restaurant offers scenic views through panoramic windows as well as continental cuisine featuring fresh, local ingredients. Daily meals include early-risers' coffee, buffet breakfast and lunch, afternoon tea, four-course dinner with complimentary wine and beer, and late-evening snack.

Enjoy the inviting and spacious public facilities include the Panorama Bar, Lido Bar, Amadeus Club with library and 24-hour coffee station, beauty salon, boutique, massage room, fitness studio, and ample open-air deck seating. The Sun Deck has a chessboard, shuffleboard, and outdoor pool. An elevator serves all passenger decks except the Sun Deck. There is no doctor on board.

The AMADEUS PROVENCE meets the highest safety standards; the Amadeus fleet has earned the important "Green Certificate" of environmental preservation.

# Rates Per Person

CATEGORY/DECK

#### CATEGORY 6

Stateroom with window. *Haydn Deck, forward*. (limited availability)

#### CATEGORY 5

Stateroom with window. *Haydn Deck, midship*. Single Pricing: \$7,685

#### **CATEGORY 4**

\$5,285

\$4.485

\$4.985

Stateroom with floor-to-ceiling panoramic window that lowers to **French-balcony** height; minibar. *Strauss Deck, forward*. (limited availability)

#### CATEGORY 3

\$5,685

Stateroom with floor-to-ceiling panoramic window that lowers to **French-balcony** height; minibar. *Strauss Deck, aft.* (limited availability)

#### CATEGORY 2 \$5,985

Stateroom with floor-to-ceiling panoramic window that lowers to **French-balcony** height; minibar. *Strauss Deck, aft and midship.* 

#### Single Pricing: \$9,285

#### **CATEGORY 1**

\$6,685

Stateroom with floor-to-ceiling panoramic window that lowers to **French-balcony** height; minibar. *Mozart Deck, aft and midship.* 

#### JUNIOR SUITE

\$7,485

Suite with **private balcony** (sliding glass doors with railing), large sitting area with minibar. *Mozart Deck, forward and midship.* 

#### Taxes and gratuities to ship personnel are included.



# Terms & Conditions

#### TOUR COST INCLUSIONS:

Taxes; all transfers and luggage handling abroad for all participants whose arrival(s)/departure(s) coincide with the scheduled group transfer(s); all activities. excursions, entrance fees, accommodation, and meals per detailed itinerary; complimentary wine and beer served at lunch and dinner; gratuities to ship personnel, local guides, and drivers; tour manager throughout; \$200,000 emergency medical evacuation insurance.

TOUR COST EXCLUSIONS: International airfare from the U.S.; baggage charges on aircraft; local departure air taxes; associated local taxes, airport facility taxes and federal inspection fees not listed in the "Inclusions" section; transfers and baggage handling to/from airport on day(s) of arrival and/or departure if you are arriving earlier or later than and/or departing earlier or later than the scheduled group transfer(s); passport fees; visas and fees for obtaining visas: personal expenses such as laundry, telephone calls and Internet access unless otherwise specified; accident/sickness, trip cancellation, and baggage insurance; gratuities to hotel personnel; optional sightseeing excursions; meals and alcoholic beverages not listed in the "Inclusions" section; and all other services not specifically mentioned in the "Inclusions" section.

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To reserve a space on this program, a \$1,000 deposit is required per person (plus \$200 per person Pre-Program). Please either call us at 800-422-1636 or 617-496-0806 or fill out and mail or fax the registration form found in the back of this brochure. Reservations are acknowledged in order of receipt until the maximum enrollment has been reached. Deposits may be made by check, payable to Harvard Alumni Association, or with a major credit card. Final payment, payable by check, is due 95 days before departure.

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#### Please return this form by mail to:

Harvard Alumni Travels 124 Mount Auburn Street, 6th Floor, Cambridge, MA 02138 Or by FAX: 617-496-4011

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