



HARVARD
Alumni Association

A HISTORY OF EUROPEAN FASHION IN LONDON & PARIS

MARCH 13-21, 2015

Trace the threads of European sartorial history on privileged visits in London and Paris. In London, enjoy exclusive access to the workroom and livery department of Henry Poole & Co., the first Savile Row tailor, and enjoy afternoon tea with a British designer. Tour the extensive costume and textile collections of the Victoria and Albert Museum, including the special exhibition *Alexander McQueen: Savage Beauty*, and explore Elizabethan theatrical costume at the Globe Theatre. Travel by high-speed Eurostar railway to Paris to see the recently reopened Musée Galliera, offering three centuries of fashion history, and the famed Chanel boutique, with its mirrored staircase, on the Rue Cambon.

STUDY LEADER: TO BE ANNOUNCED

GROUP SIZE: 15 to 25 guests

PRICING: \$7,995 DOUBLE/\$9,445 SINGLE

SCHEDULE BY DAY

B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

INDEPENDENT DEPARTURES U.S.

Depart the U.S. on an overnight flight to London.

SATURDAY, MARCH 14

INDEPENDENT ARRIVALS / LONDON

Arrive in London and transfer to Kensington Palace for lunch. Explore the Royal Ceremonial Dress Collection at the *Fashion Rules* exhibition, including gowns worn by the Queen and an exquisite silver

threaded court dress from the 1760s. Then admire the permanent collection at the Chelsea salon of the much-loved Royal couturier, the late Catherine Walker, one of Princess Diana's favorite designers. Transfer to the centrally located Taj St. James' Court Hotel. This evening gather for a welcome dinner.

Overnight: James Court Hotel (D)

SUNDAY, MARCH 15

LONDON

Today focus on the Elizabethan theatrical costume archives at the Globe Theater. See the selection of costumes created by Jenny Tiramani for the Globe's original practice productions, using carefully researched and reproduced Elizabethan

techniques. Continue to the National Portrait Gallery to observe the changes in clothing styles with a special fashion and textiles expert as your guide. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Overnight: James Court Hotel (B, L)

MONDAY, MARCH 16 LONDON

Spend the morning on the famed Savile Row in Mayfair. Begin at the Savile Row Bespoke Association, a group of tailoring houses devoted to protecting and enhancing this neighborhood's reputation for custom-designed men's tailoring. Visit one of the members, the renowned Henry Poole & Co., for a special tour of the workshop and livery department. After lunch, walk along the Bankside of the Thames to the Fashion and Textile Museum followed by afternoon tea with a British designer. The evening is at leisure.

Overnight: James Court Hotel (B, L)

TUESDAY, MARCH 17 LONDON / PARIS

This morning enjoy a tour of the Victoria & Albert Museum, with its extensive costume and textile collections, featuring the recently opened *Alexander McQueen: Savage Beauty* exhibition. Then travel by *Eurostar* train to Paris, with lunch served on board. Upon arrival, transfer to the Hôtel Pont Royal for checkin. Dinner this evening is at a nearby restaurant.

Overnight: Hôtel Pont Royal (B, L, D)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18 PARIS

Musée Galliera, housed in a 19th-century Renaissance-style palace and boasting collections showcasing the development of fashion from the 18th century to present day. Following lunch, continue to the Musée des Arts Décoratifs, whose

collections trace the development of costume and accessories from France's Regency period to contemporary designers. The balance of the day is at leisure.

Overnight: Hôtel Pont Royal (B, L)

THURSDAY, MARCH 19 PARIS

Today you are invited to the Yves St. Laurent Foundation, including an exclusive look at the designer's private library and office. After lunch, stop at the original Chanel boutique at 31 Rue du Cambon, with its famous mirrored staircase. The evening is at leisure.

Overnight: Hôtel Pont Royal (B, L)

FRIDAY, MARCH 20 PARIS

Depart for a morning amid the 19th-century masterpieces of the Musée d'Orsay. Lunch and the remainder of the afternoon are at leisure. You may wish to dine in the museum's historic restaurant, decorated with glittering chandeliers and its painted ceiling, or explore the Louvre. In the evening, celebrate your journey at the farewell dinner.

Overnight: Hôtel Pont Royal (B, D)

SATURDAY, MARCH 21 PARIS / DEPARTURES

The morning is at leisure. In the early afternoon transfer to the airport for the flight home.